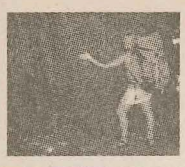

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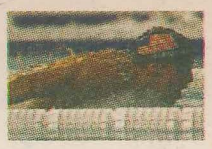

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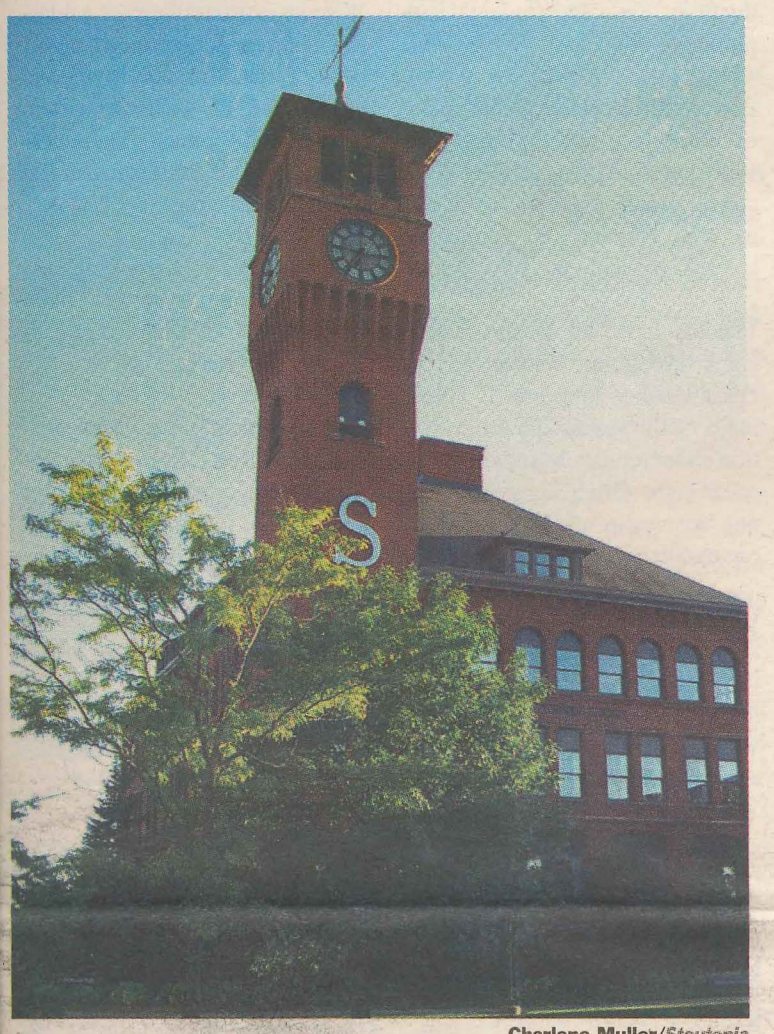
Changes abound on Stout campus



Charlene Muller/*Stoutonia*

New additions to campus have suprised some students. The S on Bowman Hall is just one of the changes this year.

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

As with any organization, change is needed for progress, and the University of Wisconsin – Stout is no different. Throughout the summer there have been a number of changes to the campus, and many of them are very visible.

Most notable to returning students is the addition of a ten foot tall white S to the Bowman Hall clocktower. Students have voiced concern about the large object, and stating that it an eyesore that does not necessarily work well with the building, and questioning the proper use of funds for a seemingly frivolous item.

The S was installed to replace an original lighted figure that once lighted the window of the clocktower until it was stolen in 1969. The original letter, although considered to not hold significant economic value, held sentimental value for students, as it was even mentioned in UW-Stout's school song; "With tower high and brilliant "S," for her we'll dare and do."

After the S was stolen, it created a hole in the hearts of alumni. According to John Enger, executive director of University Relations, a group of people including Hugh Moltzau, class of 1936, along with the Golden Rule Committee of 2004 and the classes of 1953, 1954 and 1955 are raising the money for the express purpose of purchasing the S.

The font, which is not a standard seen on UW-Stout publications was taken from the 1913 annual for the design of the ten feet high by six feet, six inch structure. Enger stated that this was done to reflect the time period of the original letter, and was approved by the Chancellor's cabinet.

Another change is the removal of several large American Elms on campus. These trees provided a lot of cover for the grounds of the campus, and their removal has been noticeable by returning students.

According to Lynn Peterson, Grounds Supervisor, the university began the 2004 calendar year with 58 American Elms on campus, but Dutch Elm disease began to take over several trees. In the past the trees with the disease were treated, however it was found that the treatment was more detrimental than the disease, and ten trees had to be removed. A database has been kept to track the progress of all Elm trees on campus.

There have been 35 other trees treated for the disease, and 13 trees are being monitored to see if they stay healthy until they are reviewed again in the spring of 2006. This treatment and monitoring program is funded through a special proposal to the Chancellor to treat the trees.

The trees removed ranged from 75 to 80 years old and could be up to 80 feet tall.

Along with the tree removal, the crounds crew planted a section of hillside east of the Applied Arts building with many species native to Wisconsin, recreating native Oak savanna. Students are reminded not to enter the fenced off area to protect small plants.

New freshman get all new welcome

A new orientation program was tried out on the new students

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Significant changes were present this year in the orientation of first-year students. Optional activities in the past are now required. These changes were met by both new students and past students with certain disdain.

The changes included filling the schedules of first-year students in order to give them a better understanding of what is available on campus. Attendance was noticeably increased in everything from laptop orientation to Blue Devil Production events. While the increased programming for these students has benefits, many of the students were not pleased with the full schedules.

"There is a lot to do for sure," said John Janssen, a freshman in Multimedia Design. "Some of it is good, but we need more time on our own."

This sentiment seemed to be shared by many other students as they griped about having attendance taken at large assemblies and begged for more time to go out and make friends.

Most of the changes come in the form of attendance at many orientation activities being required, instead of optional as in the past. Also, the implementation of a more rigorous Orientation Team Leader system has played a part.

Past students do not even remember that they had such a person, yet the new students know this person well. These team leaders have the job of making sure all first-year students in their group make it to required activities, and even making dorm-room calls to find missing students.

In order to implement this new policy, a very strong team of Orientation Team Leaders were needed to make sure that the students were able to take advantage of every opportunity.

"The computer training is not necessary, a lot of the information was repeated from other areas, but I thought the campus tour was useful," said Jeremy Bennicof, a freshman in Applied Math.

The new changes were applied to all students beginning their first year at UW-Stout, not just incoming freshmen. This caused another point of concern, as many older students transferring to University of Wisconsin-Stout were placed into the same groups and orientation procedures as the incoming freshmen.

"Lots of stuff is not necessary because I am a transfer [student], but things to show the campus and meet people are good," said Brian Pahl, a sophomore in Technology Education.

"It is a good thing because the freshmen get a positive experience, and staff are happy with the results, but as a Orientation Team Leader, it is a lot of work," said Matthew Rocholl, a Sophomore in General Business.

The new programming has been a success at making sure first-year students are better aware of what is available to them than students in the past.

"Last year as a freshman I just laid low," said Rocholl. "But this year as a team leader, I rounded up 20 kids from my floor to go see the comedian, who they did not plan to see, and they had a blast."

Curtis Trnka/*Stoutonia*

Anticipation and excitement for a new school year as new freshmen students begin the orientation process.

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Weather

Friday
Mostly sunny
High 83
Low 56

Saturday
Partly cloudy
High 73
Low 55

Sunday
Scattered
T-Storms
High 69
Low 51

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Mystery man
A student employee working at the Recreation Center desk in the Memorial Student Center reported to police on June 20 that an unknown middle-aged male made her uncomfortable while she was working. The male first approached her and asked if he could sit behind the desk with her. The student employee allowed the male behind the desk. The employee then began to notice the male was looking at her which made her uncomfortable; he then began asking for personal information and about her weekend plans. The male left when she closed the desk. She saw him outside the Student Center entrance when she left the building but has not seen him since.

Don't get stoned
A UW-Stout staff member reported on June 29 that one of the stone art formations at the east entrance of the Memorial Student Center had been damaged. One of the stones has been pushed off the base of the sculpture. It is unknown how the stone was moved.

Lock your door
A student was awaken on July 10 at 5:45 a.m. by an unknown person entering her dorm room in North Hall. The sound of her doorknob turning woke her up and she saw someone begin to enter her room. She yelled at the person, who then closed the door and left the area. The student did not get a good look at the subject. The area was checked by hall staff and both UW-Stout and Menomonie police officers.

Obstruction in the shaft
A Library Learning Center staff member called police on July 15 when several people were trapped in the library's elevator. The library staff were moving bookshelves using the elevator when one of the shelving units fell down the crack in the elevator and dropped down the shaft. The people trapped in the elevator were able to get out prior to police arriving. The elevator was labeled "Out of Service" until maintenance staff could clear any obstructions in the shaft.

DVDs gone by
On Aug.17, a campus hall director reported that approximately 100 DVD movies valued at $1,500 were taken from the CKTO front desk. The DVDs were kept in the open on the countertop. The hall director did not know when the movies were taken.

News for the college Attention Span

Melismatics, with guests Friends Like These will perform at UW-Stout at 8 p.m. on Thursday, September 2, on the Pawn patio of the Memorial Student Center. Sponsored by Blue Devil Productions, free for students and public

Governor Doyle's Department of Workplace Development has said that as of August 19, Wisconsin unemployment is down to 4.6 percent as compared to 5.7 percent in July 2003.

Vandals have hit Bush/Cheney signs throughout Wisconsin. A Dunn County supporter is offering a $500 reward for information about repeated vandalization of his sign. Other signs throughout Wisconsin are being staked out to catch vandals.

UW-Stout Chancellor Charles Sorenson donated $1000 through the Stout Foundation to Menomonie-based Company A of the Wisconsin Army National Guard to assist in shipping packages to Company A troops stationed overseas. 80 local soldiers have been sent overseas, and approximately 55 of them were college students.

Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference announced members of the 2003-04 Academic Honor Roll. UW-Stout has 116 women and 96 men. These students achieved better than a 3.0 grade point average.

Sexual Assault charges against NBA star Kobe Bryant have been dropped. Bryant apologized to accuser for "his actions"

1,187 people were arrested during the Republican National Convention on Tuesday and Wednesday, including 11 people arrested on the floor of Madison Square Garden

Wisconsin ranks at the top of the nation in composite ACT scores with a 22.2. The national composite is 20.9 and the Menomonie area composite is 22.0

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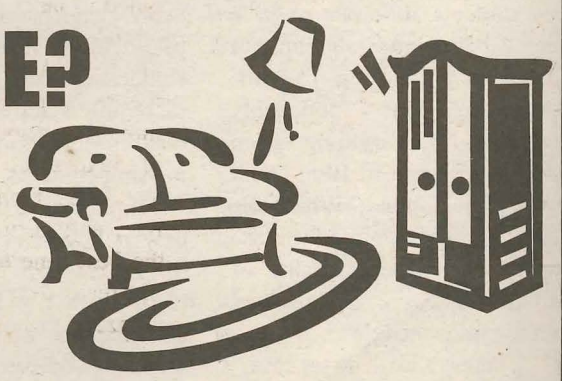

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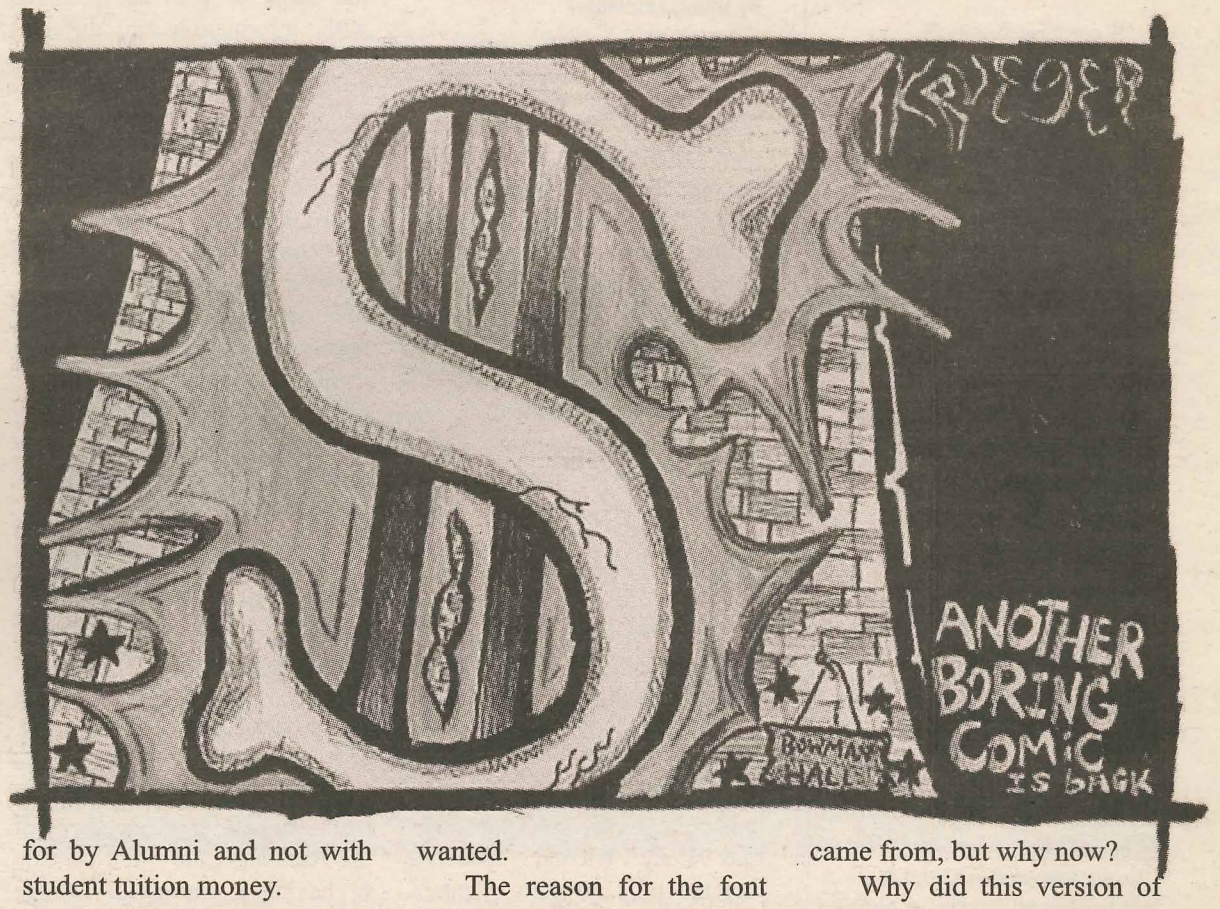
Dear Stout, welcome back, "the S"

The Stoutonia Staff
Staff Editorial



Freshmen: welcome to campus. Over the course of your college career you will party so hard you don't know where you live, change your major at least once and meet types of people you didn't even know could exist.

To all returning students: welcome back. Are you ready for more of the same? The campus is still far too close to the waste management plant. Lake Menomin still smells like Mother Nature ate a bad burrito and the weather is about to go below 50 degrees until late May. Except for the redesign of the Stoutonia, there isn't that much new around campus.

Wait! What's that giant S hanging off the clock tower?

That's right ladies and gents, they decided to put "the S" back into Stout.

If you are a typical Stout student, your reaction to this oversized letter was probably something along the lines of, "Man I hope my tuition didn't help pay for that."

Last year a number of Stoutonia staff members couldn't get wireless Internet outside of Bowman. So originally we thought that unless "the S" was a wireless router, we didn't want it.

Then we did some of that darn fact-finding/reporting. Turns out the University of Wisconsin-Stout used to have an S on the side of the clock tower until it disappeared in 1969, since it was attached to the building it's not like Stout misplaced it.

In our school song there is a line about "the S." It says that we would do anything for her. We assume this includes paying tons of money for laptops that could be purchased for less, going to classes in weather that belongs to Santa and always having to hear "When in doubt go to Stout" whenever we tell people where we go to school.

Incase you didn't read the news article on the new changes on campus, let us again mention that "the S" was paid for by Alumni and not with student tuition money.

To the Alumni we say, "Thank you."

To Bowman Hall we say, "Sorry, you look like a freshman Photoshop project."

In addition to looking a bit odd, "the S" is not one of the approved fonts for use by the university. Poor "the S" is beginning to sound like the ugly stepchild Stout never wanted.

The reason for the font choice was that this font more accurately portrayed the time period that "the S" was from. The incorrect font was such a big deal that the Chancellor's cabinet had to sign off on it.

Apparently when the original "the S" was stolen, a number of Alumni were saddened, and that is were the movement to get "the S" came from, but why now?

Why did this version of "the S" get put up 35 years later? The Alumni weren't able to afford a 10-foot by six-foot sign until just recently? If that's the case, how much did that sign cost, and wouldn't that random sum of money been better used by the university to keep some of their more established professors on staff?

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Summer is not the time to go sledding

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

Have you ever been faced with a decision to do something you've always dreamed of and then actually taken that opportunity of a lifetime?

When faced with a jobless summer, my boyfriend and I decided to make the most of what would be my last summer of freedom. After graduation and the real world sets in, a three month vacation is generally out of the question.

Aside from a teaching career, until retirement, college is the best time to take advantage of breaks to travel. I am always amazed at how much I learn when I travel. One of the most important lessons in life has been how simple life can be in nature.

This summer was the biggest road trip of my life, with the great feeling that the possibilities were limitless. Our home was my Chevy Lumina, just spacious enough to hold all of our belongings.

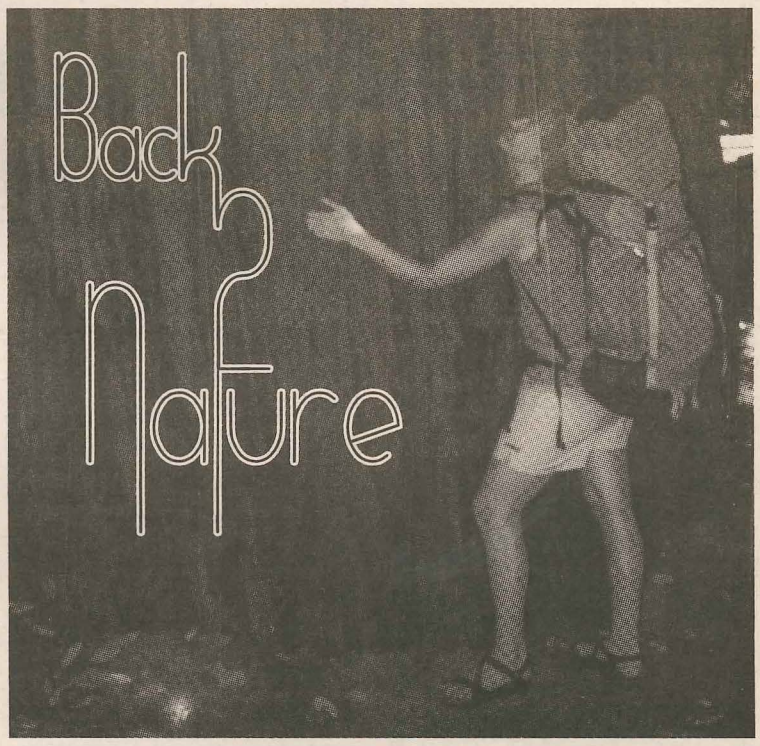
We set out on what we called our "West Coast Tour" of the National Parks. We drove cross country to Washington state, down through Oregon and California. Fifteen miles from the border of Mexico we turned to head back home the south route, driving through nearly 19 of the 50 states; 7,000 miles later we were home.

In order to actually experience a lot of the National Parks we drove down several mountain roads and winding ocean shore roads that aren't meant for a weak stomach. These crazy roads lead to some of the most spectacular scenery seemingly untouched by humans.

For the majority of our camping experiences, we preferred backpacking. Leaving the hum of giant RV generators supposedly camping and swarms of summer campers, we were able to find solitude simply by throwing everything we needed on our backs and hiking.

Backpacking not only challenges you physically, but also mentally. There are several measures to be taken when going out into the wilderness, especially in bear country. But we were in their territory and wanted to keep it that way.

That connection you feel when you've hiked 25 miles away from any amenities or human contact is breath taking. Suddenly everything becomes clearer and more defined. The appreciation of everything in life begins to grow by the second.



Like most college students, I work during the semester to make ends meet. If it is possible to not have to work while going to school full-time, then go for it! The more you can focus on your studies the better.

I wish someone would have informed me that my first semester not only counts the most, but it can make it very difficult for you to get a graduating 4.0 unless you start your college career with a high grade point average. Trust me when I say it drops a lot easier than it rises.

I've found that the best way to actually feel excited about coming back for a new semester is to actually take the break and stop working. I encourage you to take at least one of your breaks during your college career to just simply travel. Wherever it may be, even if it is that Spring Break trip to Cancun.

ENTERTAINMENT

The 411

September 2 to September 8

Thursday, Sept. 2
Classes Begin!!
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec Center.
>**The Melismatics and Friends Like These,** 8 p.m., Pawn Patio, free.

Friday, Sept. 3
>**Twins vs. Royals baseball game,** 5:15 p.m. bus departure, front of library, Metrodome, Minneapolis, $10 at Service Center.

Saturday, Sept. 4
>**Minnesota State Fair,** 3 p.m. bus departure, front of library, $12 at Service Center.

Sunday, Sept. 5
>**Stout Adventures Climbing Wall,** Johnson Fieldhouse, 4-10 p.m., free.

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>**Stout Adventures Climbing Wall,** Johnson Fieldhouse, 4-10 p.m., free.
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Thursday, Sept. 9
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Year kicks off with a bash

By Tiffany Laschinger
Entertainment Writer

Blue skies provided the perfect backdrop to hold this year's first picnic get-together.

In the first hour of the Backyard Bash, University Dining Services served over 600 plates to students. The event was organized by University Centers in collaboration with Blue Devil Production (BDP), University Dining Services and many student organizations.

BDP plans and provides sound for the majority of the entertainment that comes to campus from comedians to speakers to local bands. 715 the Band entertained the crowds on Tuesday for the bash. With covers from famous oldies and some of the newest hits 715 the Band kept the crowd moving.

"Outside you can hear the music playing and smell the food," said Lucy Nicolai, associate director of University Centers. "We provided an opportunity for student organizations to setup and get people involved."

There were 35 tables set up in the southeast lawn around the stage to provide freshmen with information on different types of student involvement. Organizations like Rugby, the Running Club, Gamma Sigma Sigma and College Republicans set out information on why students should join their club.

"Join an organization because you meet a lot of people," said Mindy Miller, a junior in hotel, restaurant and tourism management and a member of Gamma Sigma Sigma. "It looks good on your resume. Employers look at your involvement more than your grades."

If sorority or fraternity life is not what you are interested in, athletics or professional organization could be an option to meet new people.

"The Running Club is a great opportunity to get involved," said Jeff Keenan, a sophomore in hotel, restaurant and tourism management and member of the Running Club. "It's the key to having a successful college career."

For any questions regarding student organizations contact the SOC desk at 232-1172.

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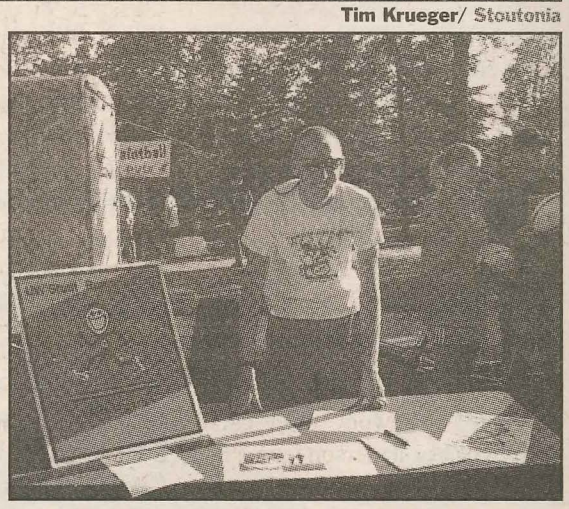

(top) The Water Ski team stands proudly in front of their new boat. (left to right) Brooke Ruegg, Tatum Treland, Pete Cornell, Steve Brooks.
(bottom) Jeff Keenan stands behind the Running Club table ready to answer any questions about his organization.

This town ain't so boring after all

Activities

Red Cedar Trail
biking, hiking, rollerblading
Wakanda Park
grill, frisbee golf, horseshoes, baseball, picnic
Wilson Park
bandshell
Hoffman Hills
hiking, cross country skiing
Tripp Falls
hiking, sightseeing
Devils Punchbowl
hiking, sightseeing
The Bottoms
hiking, cliff jumping
Bubbas Paintball
paintball field
Chippewa Valley Golf Club
18 Hole, driving range, banquet hall, restaurant
Roscoe's Red Cedar Outfitter
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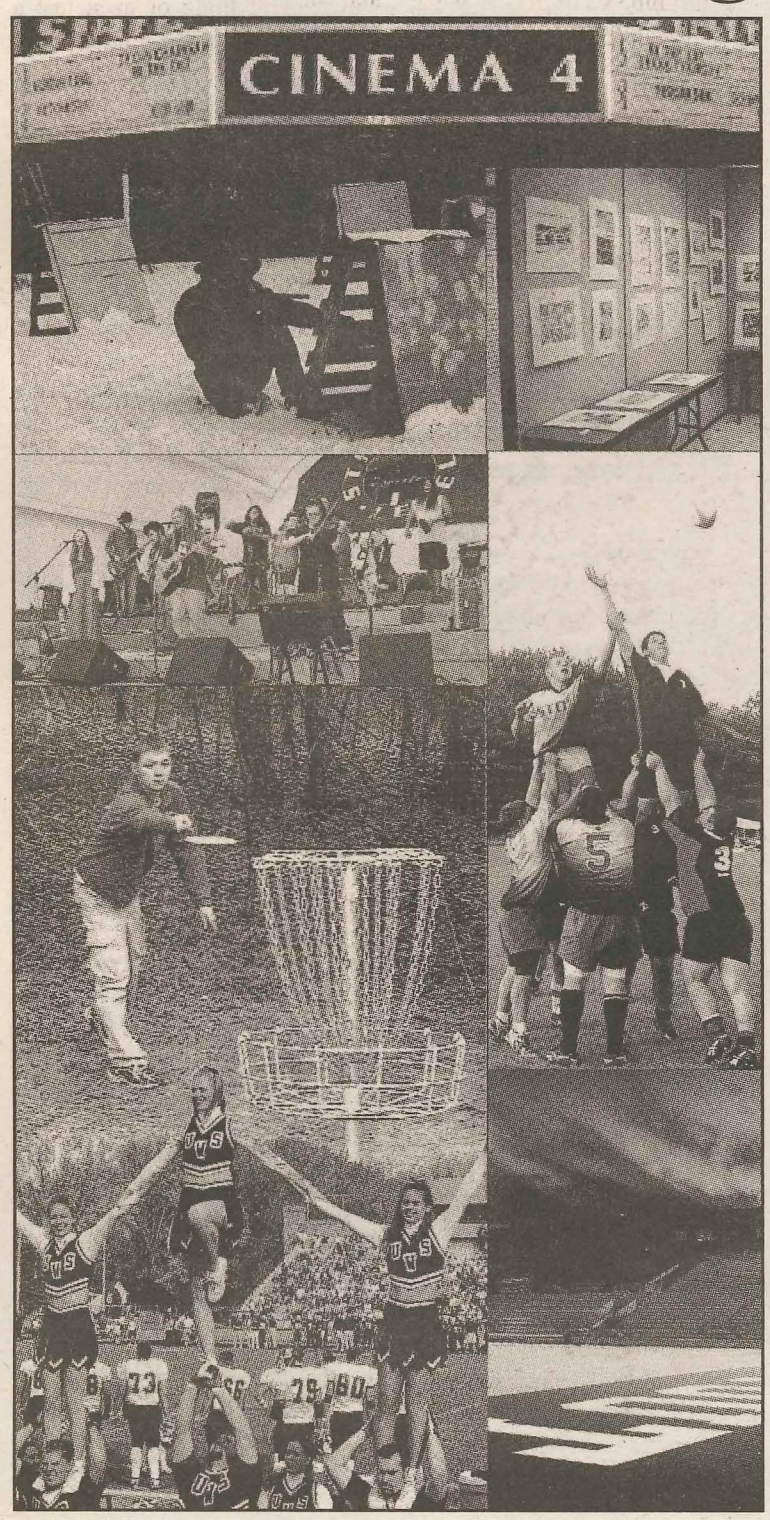

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Market Place

Staying devoted in distance dating

Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

College is a time of transition, change and leaving a life behind to start over. So what happens when something is too good to abandon?

Many couples decide that even though high school ends, their relationship doesn't have to cease as well. Those who choose to be a part of a long distance relationship need to be prepared for the changes and trials their relationship will face.

Seeing each other much less is the first change that a couple will encounter. One way to make this difference more tolerable is to spend the newfound time doing other activities.

According to the University of Missouri-Rolla's counseling Web site, getting involved in organizations that a person personally believes in, volunteering, trying something unfamiliar like a new haircut, going out to see a movie or bringing homework to a café are all ways a person can kill time and distract themselves when they start missing their significant other.

Another way is to have something planned for the future to anticipate.

"Make sure you and your significant other have a game plan of when you will see each other next so you can look forward to it, and make a special day out of it," said Laura Bartlett, a sophomore in international business.

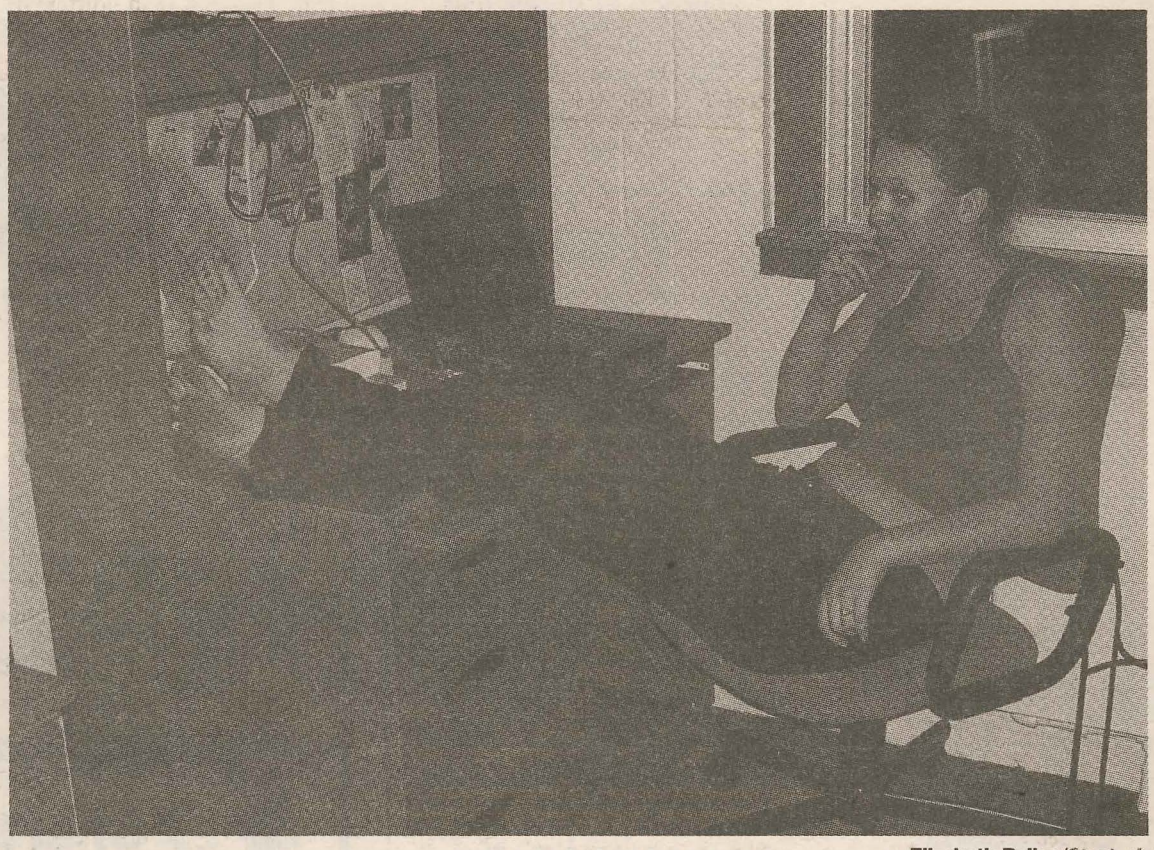
A big change that will also occur is an adjustment to how communication takes place. Face to face talks are replaced by conversations on the telephone, internet and through the mail. This may cause some tension and misunderstandings due to the unfamiliarity.

"I know me and my boyfriend got into a lot of stupid fights over the phone," said Bartlett. "Whether they are wrong or you are wrong at some things, just drop it and say you don't want to argue or fight. All the small fights roll into one big one and put a huge burden on the relationship."

Those in long distance relationships agree that important qualities to maintain are trust, loyalty, honesty, respect and optimism. These will help both parties learn to deal with their significant other as they experience new situations and people. Remember that things are changing on both sides of the relationship.

A good way people can show they are ready to commit to the long distance relationship, according to www.teenadviceonline.org, is by giving their partner a "Farewell Package." It consists of three separate gifts.

The first gift is simply a memento of some event the couple attended such as a ticket stub from a concert or movie. To take it one step further the Web site suggests also writng a note planning to do that activity again in the future.



Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*
Nicole Murtha, a sophomore in retail merchandising and management keeps in touch with her boyfriend over the telephone. Other options include snail mail, e-mail, instant or text messaging programs and webcams.

Gift two is a meaningful item of clothing or even just a handkerchief that is sprayed with a sample of the person's favorite cologne or perfume so their partner can have their scent with them to smell.

The third gift is a pre-paid calling card so the couple can keep in touch without having to worry about long distance bills.

According to www.longdistancecouples.com, other gifts can include a calendar made with pictures of the couple, a stuffed animal that is able to record a short voice message or a favorite photograph made into a jigsaw puzzle sent a few pieces at a time.

"Sometimes I will write [my boyfriend] a sweet e-mail or even a letter, something he doesn't expect," said Bartlett. "Just little things like that help out in the long run."

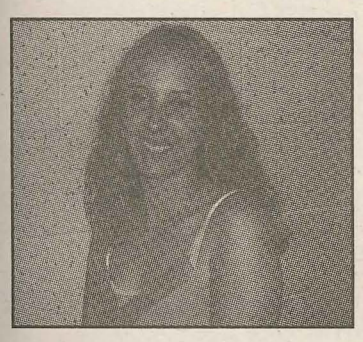
Long distance relationships are no easy task, but with ambition and some effort they are not impossible.

"The road ahead is difficult, but staying strong will help you get to the end," said Katie Theil, a sophomore in Technical Communications.

This week's question:

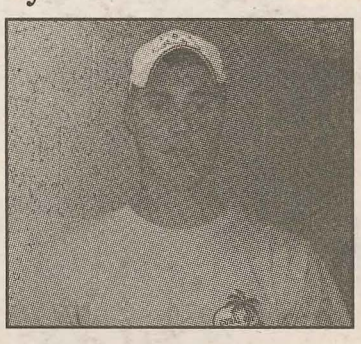
Slant: Freshman Style

What do you think the chancellor does during summer vacation?



"He goes on tour with his secret rock band."

Kyah Lark
Freshman, Undecided

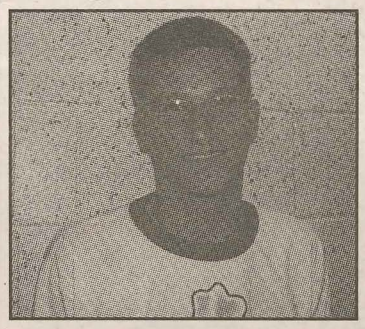


"Works hard during the day and parties hard at night."

Christopher Ripp
Freshman, Undecided

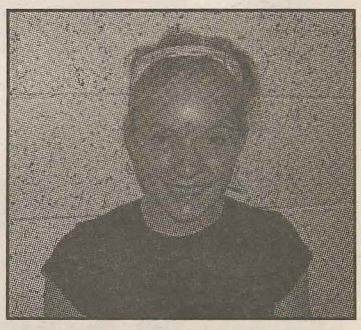
"He goes scuba diving in the Carribean."

Jordan Fritzel
Freshman, Interior Design



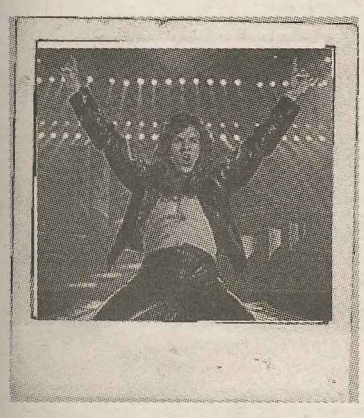
"Works for the secret service—009."

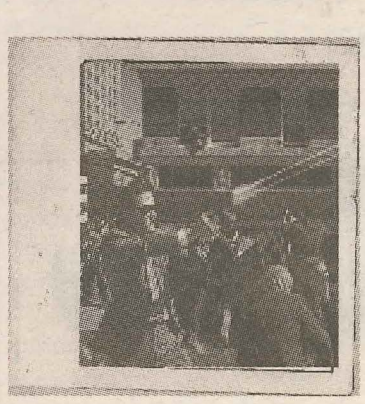
Adam Schlafke
Freshman, Construction

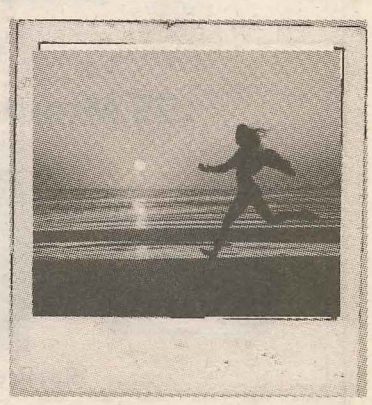


"Takes long walks on the beach."

Anna Burish
Freshman, Apparel Design and Development







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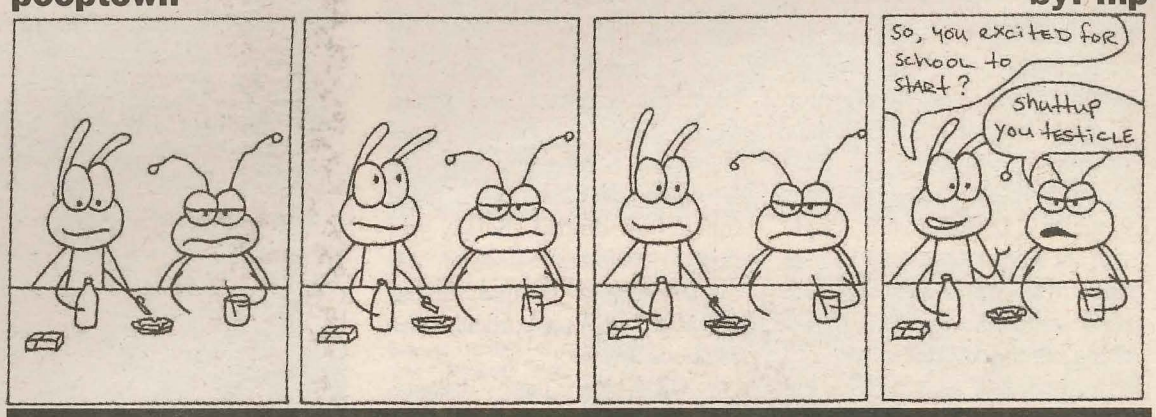

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Summer sports still no surprise

Curt Trnka
Columnist

Welcome back sports junkies. While we were away quite a bit has happened in the world of sports.

In our last issue of last school year I made some predictions. I predicted that the number of people who would see "Spider-Man 2" on opening day would dwarf the number of fans that the Montreal Expos drew all season. I'm one-for-one.

I also said that Tim Couch would be the Packers future quarterback. Two-for-two.

In Dallas, I said that Quincy Carter would be out as the Cowboy's starting QB. Don't squabble about how it happened, just go with it. Three-for-three.

Last time I checked the Brewers were playing sub .500 baseball. Four-for-four.

And that my friends, is why they call me "Bench Warmer." Like so many of my fellow college students, I can't play sports but I love to watch them.

In other sporting news this summer, a lot of drugs were used in Athens. Some more successfully than others.

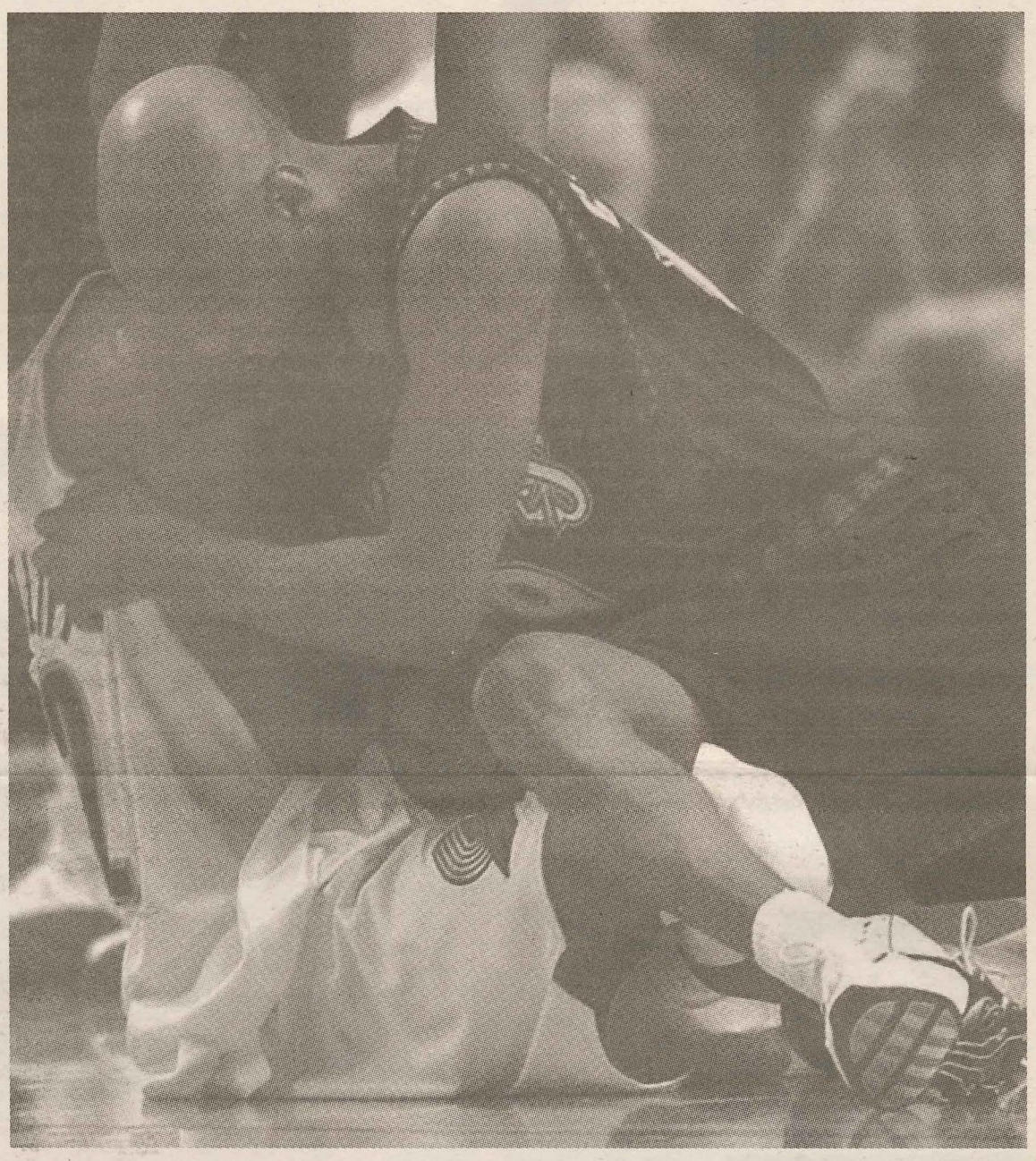
In the NBA, we saw the Timberwolves finally get out of the first round of the playoffs, only to have no healthy point guards left to run the offense against the Los Angles Lakers Western Conference Finals. Luckily the Detroit Pistons took it to the Lakers in the NBA Finals.

Who'd have guessed all it took to beat the Lakers was Wallace & Wallace Incorporated? Ben Wallace had to have an emergency appendectomy.

In women's tennis, Maria Sharapova on center court at Wimbledon defeated Serena Williams. That match not only ushered in Sharapova as the next "it" girl in tennis, but it might have been the hottest sporting event ever on network TV.

St. Louis has a number of good sports teams. No one thought that the Cardinals were one of them though. Turns out we're all morons. As of last week the Cards were playing the best baseball on the planet. That team hits home runs like me playing T-ball and I can ball.

If you hadn't noticed already, ESPN turns 25 this year and they have been hyping this summer as the season of the fan. In small 15-second spots ESPN has been showing fans from all the sports venues talking about what makes them a good fan. It's an interesting idea. Now all they have to do is an interview in front of Don and Nona Williams Stadium on an upcoming Saturday.



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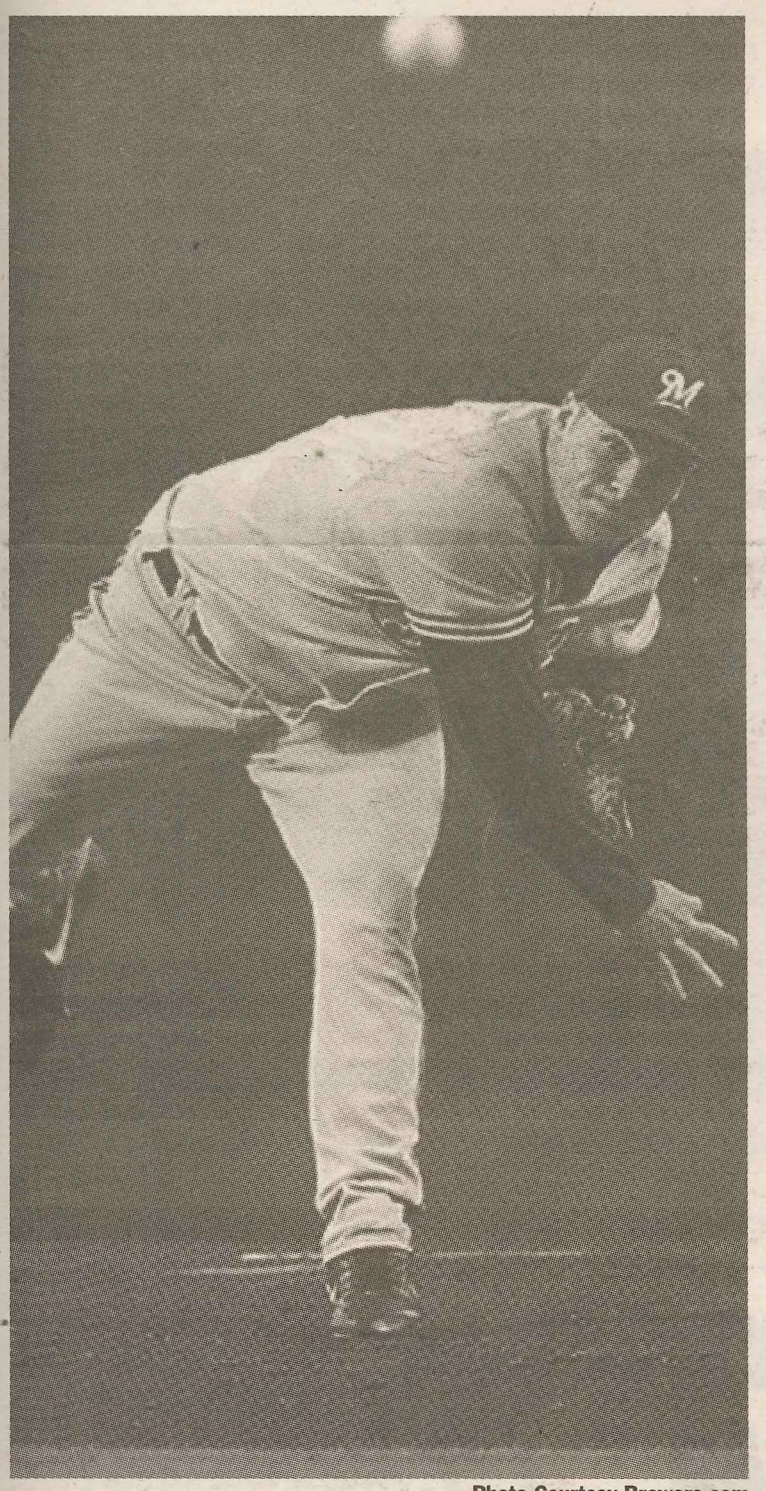
Sam Cassell fights for the ball in the 2004 NBA playoffs. Cassell and the Minnesota Timberwolvs were eliminated from the playoffs when they were defeated by the Los Angels Lakers in the semi-finals.



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Even with all-star pitcher Ben Sheets, The Brewers could not keep a winning record through July. The Brewers had a record of 6-21 in the month of August.

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New York Jets acquired Quincy Carter, consequently they had to cut Quincy Stewart because it's against the rules to have two players named Quincy on the same team.

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Cross Country

The cross country team will open the season on Sept. 18 at the St. Olaf Invitational.

Tennis

The tennis team will begin its season Sept. 2 with a home scrimmage vs. UW-River Falls.

Soccer

The soccer team will play its second game of the season at St. Mary's.

Volleyball

The volleyball team will begin its season Sept. 3 at the UW-River Falls Tourney.

Olympics unite the world

Summer games show us a different side of sports

Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

What is it about the Olympics that draws us to our television sets? Maybe its the tension of a close fencing match, followed by the beauty of a perfect dive. Or Is it our starving urge to see a game of water polo?

Probably not.

Yet as soon as that famous Olympic theme song starts, America frantically scrambles to one of three channels because somewhere a Russian is knocking out a Chineese man and it has nothing to do with a trade agreement.

The Olympics bring a unique element of exeitment to our lives. An urge that only needs to be fulfilled every other year.

The Olympics give us a break from regular sports. Instead of talking basball and pennant races, we hear about Misty May's game winning serve in volleyball or Gail Deevers' heartbreaking injury in the hurdles.

We watched Michael Phelps swim to gold medal after gold medal and saw the gold medal favorite USA men's basketball team crumble to Puerto Rico and then squeak out a win against Lativa for Bronze.

But what truly kept me glued to the Olympics for two weeks straight was the drive and determination behind the athletes.

In the Olympics, every run, hurdle, shot or jump is done with everything the athlete has and without the benefit of a hefty paycheck that professional athletes receive.

The goal at Athens was not fame or fortune, it was just to become an Olympic champion and nothing else.

When the Olympics came to a close last week, it remined me of how lucky professional athletes are. The average baseball or basketball player gets at least eight seasons to win a world championship.

On the other hand, most Olympians only get one or two shots at their dream, if they are lucky, and some cannot afford to even make the trip.

The Olympics are about the underdog and seeing a faceless and nameless person become lifted up above the rest, all because of a tenth of a point or a hundrendth of second.

American Gymnast Paul Hamm knows what the differnce between gold and silver is; the world is still talking about whether or not he deserves the gold. The women's soccer team also won gold with an overtime goal proving age cannot stop determination.

It is the memories that are created during the Olympics that stand out for years and decades, and those are the moments that no sports fan wants to miss.

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Michael Phelps was one of many United States athletes to win a gold medal in Athens. He dominated the swimming pool by winning six gold medals and helped the US stay on top of the medal count.

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B.S. in golf management proposed

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Aligning with the goals implemented by Focus 2010, University of Wisconsin–Stout will begin to offer a degree in Golf Enterprise Management, possibly as soon as Fall of 2005.

Focus 2010, priority 1, number 5 states that UW-Stout should "experiment with flexible and collaborative pilot programs/ courses and instruction that validate outcomes."

"We need to aggressively expand out to attract students, and that is why they are starting this degree," said Bradley Stafford, president of student body for SSA and a member of Focus 2010.

A specialization in this area will begin this fall, and already interest is very high as UW-Stout seeks to have the program approved by the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents. The current specialization is offered through UW-Stout's hospitality, restaurant, and tourism management program.

The entire golf program would be available online to students who are already working in the field and are interested in the program for professional development.

Jay Fish/Stoutonia

Aaron Cross, a junior in industrial management, chips on the practice green. Golfing could become more commonplace for Stout students with the implementation of golf enterprise management.

"We are working with the University of Wisconsin–River Falls on the development of these courses, and they would be offered online," said Provost Robert Sedlak.

This implementation would allow a great number of students from diverse backgrounds to take coursework at UW-Stout and allow the university to become closer to Focus 2010's goal of providing distance education in technical disciplines.

"The emphasis of the proposed golf enterprise management degree program will be on business acumen, rather than player aptitude, which is common to most of the programs now in place," said John Wesolek, dean of UW-Stout's College of Human Development in a press release.

This program has also been endorsed by the National Golf Course Owners Association, along with other professional golf course associations, again aligning the program with Focus 2010, accomplishing the goal of providing business and industry with skilled graduates.

"It's the only endorsement of its kind NGCOA has ever conferred and was given only after much consideration," said Mike Hughes, NGCOA's executive director in a press release. "It was driven in large measure by UW-Stout's recent attainment of the coveted Malcolm Baldrige Award sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce. [Stout is] the only higher education institution ever to win this distinction."

This program is being partially funded through several grants from Toro Giving Program, The Kohler Company and UW-Stout alumnus Bill Gehrand.

The program focuses heavily on the business of golf and not so much about actual playing. The program will include coursework from a variety of areas and include merchandising, food and beverage, business, service management and retail.

Approximately 150 to 200 people are expected to enter the program when it begins, based on the interest shown thus far in the specialization of the degree.

"Students need to have an interest and some knowlede of golf, but the focus is not on the playing, it is on the players of golf and how to operate a golfing enterprise," said Sedlak.

Changes made to start smoking ban

Painting on the sidewalk reminds smokers where they can go

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Last fall, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee all declared their residence halls smoke-free.

UW-Stout was the only remaining UW school that allowed smoking in the dorms, though only on four floors; fourth Curran, fourth Kranzuch, fourth North B and fourth North C. These are now all non-smoking under a bill.

Doyle signed the bill at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh last spring, where a three year old anti-tobacco campaign on the campus is showing results. The percentage of UW-Oshkosh students who smoke has dropped from 34 percent in 2000 to 23 percent last year. The goal is four percent.

The legislation was needed to reinforce existing bans, Doyle said at the signing. He noted that according to the recently released Wisconsin Tobacco Facts, anti-tobacco efforts are getting results. But many adults continue to smoke, and the incidence of smoking is highest among adults 18 to 24 years of age.

"These are our college students who are being heavily targeted by the big tobacco 0," Doyle said in a press release. "This legislation gives existing smoking bans the force of law and applies a single, uniform prohibition throughout the UW System."

The bill prohibits smoking in residence halls used by the University of Wisconsin System and within 25 feet of those halls. According to the bill, violators will be fined $10, but local officials say the fine could be more.

Currently the messages painted on the sidewalks only surround residence halls. The bill only included residence halls, and does not mention academic buildings.

Current campus procedure is to ban smoking within 25 feet of academic buildings, and there is no smoking allowed in any university building.

"We ask that people do not smoke within 25 feet of an academic building" said Lisa Walter, chief of police and parking services for the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Chapter 18.06(18) states that "no person may smoke in any university building except in those areas designated for that purpose."

It is hoped that people will be respectful of others that do not wish to smell smoke, even though there is no law protecting the academic buildings.

One door of each building is designated as a smoking door, which people

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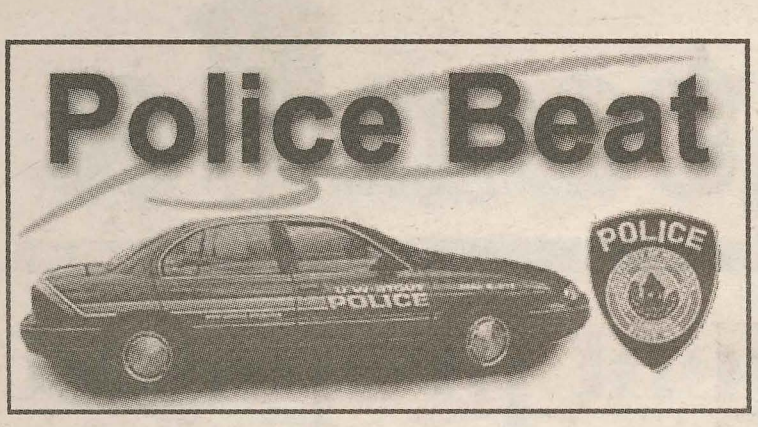

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Aug. 30 through Sept. 7
First offense underage drinking: 17. Third offense underage drinking: 1

Kick like a mule
On August 31, a staff member reported that someone had forced a steel gate open at Williams Stadium by kicking it. The gate was located on the southeast corner of the stadium plaza. The gate could be closed, but the hasp was weakened from the kick. The building manager locked the gate with a chain to prevent people from entering. Other gates at the stadium have been reinforced to prevent such damage in the future.

Another broken elevator
A custodial staff member was trapped in the Millennium Hall elevator on Sept. 1. The staff member used the call-box inside the elevator to notify police. The Menomonie Fire Department gained access to the elevator maintenance room and the trapped staff member was released shortly thereafter without injury.

Fun with a fire extinguisher
The Menomonie Fire Department responded to an active alarm in Chinnock Hall on Sept. 4. The fire department found that there was no fire and that an unknown person had unlawfully discharged a fire extinguisher on the third floor of the hall. The dust from the extinguisher activated the alarms.

Why do people find that fun?
Police were dispatched on Sept. 4 in reference to reported vandalism to the UW-Stout map sign at the northeast corner of the Memorial Student Center. The glass in the sign was apparently struck multiple times and shattered with an unknown object by an unknown person. This case is closed pending further evidence.

Sneaky siphon
A student in Antrim-Froggat Hall reported on Sept. 6 that someone had stolen gasoline out of his car while it was parked in UW-Stout Parking Lot 34. He returned to his car and found the gas cover open and the gas cap hanging freely. Based on his gas gauge, he estimated that two gallons of gas had been removed from his tank. The student drove the car and found nothing unusual in its operation and believes that nothing was added to his tank.

Smoking causes angst
An Oetting Hall staff member reported on Sept. 7 that someone had damaged an ashtray in front of CKTO. The ashtray was tipped over and broken into several pieces. There are no suspects or witnesses at this time.

Do you need to stay out of trouble?

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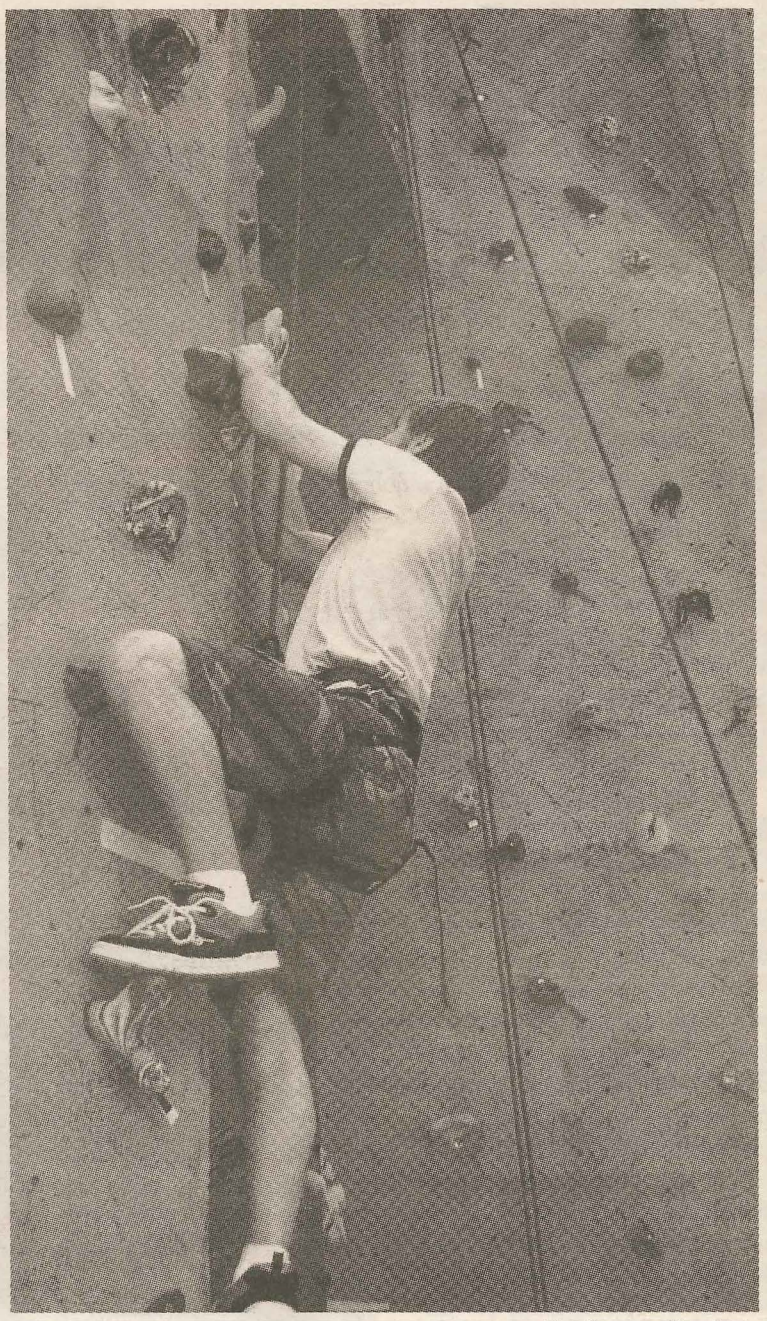

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Chris Joutras, a freshman in art and multimedia design is using Stout Adventures' climbing wall to try climbing for his first time. The climbing wall is open for use, free of charge, through Friday during their free week promotion.

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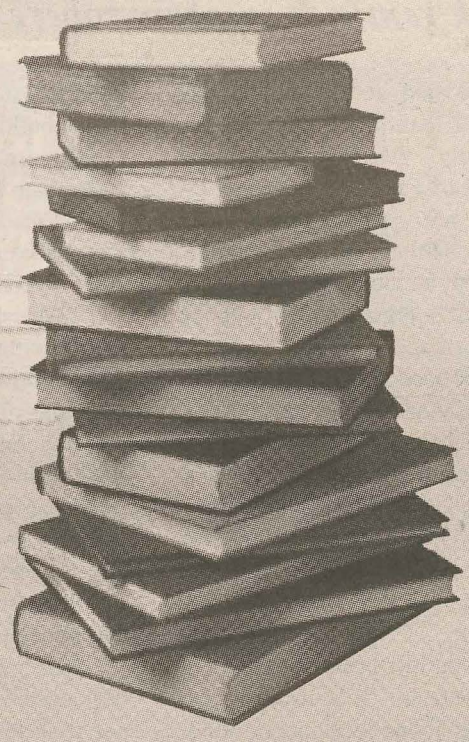

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Grickle-grass, an indie rock trio playing with guest Kurmudgean will play at UW-Stout at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16. The free show will be held on the Pawn patio of the Memorial Student Center.

Paddlers Delight
URec at UW-Stout, in cooperation with the Tainter-Menomin Lake Improvement Association will be hosting PaddleFest 2004 on Saturday, Sept. 25. The festival will start with an ACA Basic Strokes and Rescues course on Sept. 24, followed by a canoe race at 10 a.m. on Sept. 25. Culminating the festival will be the Waterwalker Film Festival presented by the Canadian Recreational Canoeing Association, starting at 4 p.m. in the Great Hall of UW-Stout's Memorial Student Center

Cheney has coffee.
Vice President Dick Cheney will have coffee with Wisconsin community members at the Golden Basket Restaraunt in Green Bay, Friday, Sept. 10th, followed by attending town hall meetings in Sheboygan Falls and Milwaukee.

Drunktoberfest
Join Oktoberfest in Chippewa Falls for a weekend of festivities, Sept. 17-19. Held at the Northern Wisconsin State Fair grounds, visit http://www.chippewachamber.org/oktoberfest.asp for more information.

K-9 unit sought
Menomonie resident Brian Benrud is working to raise $14,000 to help the city of Menomonie purchase a K-9 unit and give an officer and dog appropriate training.

PETA to use supermodel
Pamela Anderson has allowed People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals to use her image in a campaign against fast food chain KFC and has spoken out with PETA against the chain.

Pint for pint
Cleveland Regional Transit Authority began a campaign to solicit blood donations. Individuals who donate a pint of blood are given a voucher for a free pint of any beverage, including beer, to use anywhere in the city. This comes at a time when blood banks are critically low, and new ideas are needed to make sure blood is available.

Ban / *Stopping smoking*

Tim Krueger/Stoutonia

An unidentified smoker has a cigarette on the patio of CKTO. New markings on the sidewalk remind students of a new law, however not much has changed.

may smoke within 25 feet of the building, but must still remain outside of the building.

People violating smoking rules may be penalized differently. Those smoking within buildings would be subject to Chapter 18.06 and face penalties from $131.50 to $181. Those found violating the 25 feet bill may be penalized $10, however the fine could be more.

"We are a part of enforcing this rule, but we are not the primary enforcers. We are hoping for people just to be respectful of the law," said Walter. "We will get involved if someone is smoking within a building."

"It still smelled up in the third floor [when people are smoking], it is still too close," said Kyle Wallerstedt, a sophomore in manufacturing engineering.

"We also need another shelter when it is raining, or maybe I should just stop smoking," said Wallerstedt, as he and a friend enjoyed a cigarette outside of CKTO.

At UW-Stout, administration will have to decide how to enforce this new law.

"Our residence halls will all be smoke-free [this] year, as required by law," said Scott Griesbach, director of housing and residence life.

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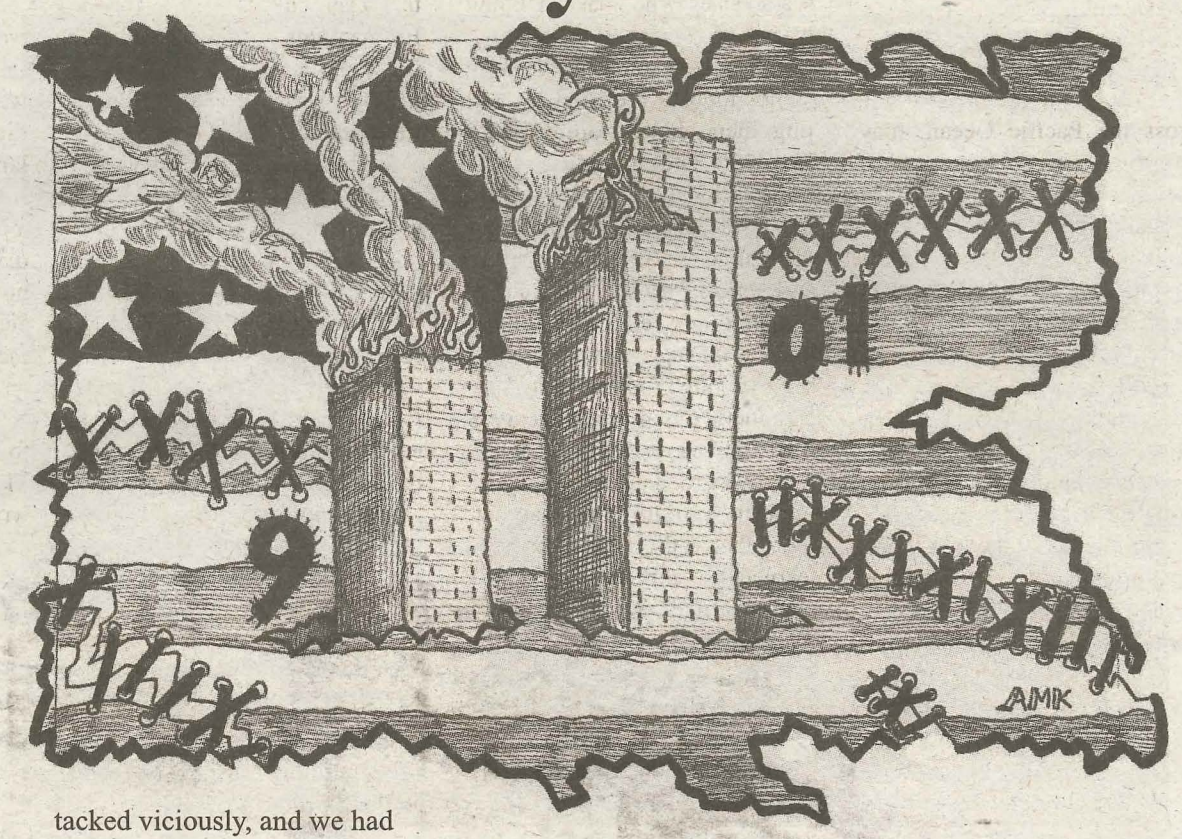
Time cannot take away our scars

The Stoutonia Staff
Staff Editorial



9/11.

What does it mean to our generation? Is it our Pearl Harbor; is it even fair to compare the two? Didn't they both cause the deployment of American armed forces? Will we eventually forget about this tragic date? Where were you when the towers fell? Everyone has an answer. Bush sat in that classroom for seven minutes. Not sure Gore would have bolted up, but seven minutes?

Did we get the man who scared our nation? Or did we go after the sitting duck that supposedly had Weapons of Mass Destruction.

How can anyone say that we will forget? We are America. We wear our past on our sleeve. No one says, "How was America formed?" They know. They know that America fought for freedom. They know America, no matter how broken and tattered, or strong and proud, will always fight for freedom.

Three years.
Billions of tears.
Newfound fears.

It's a date that will always hold significance for those who were alive on September 11, 2001. Our lives were changed.

To our generation this shocking event was among the strangest we will ever see. We are a society that watches movies like a religion, and we had all seen a movie were a landmark was destroyed. But if those movies were training for what we saw that day, we were ill-prepared.

Some have said that 9/11 is our Pearl Harbor. Is it even fair to compare the two? Both events cost thousands of Americans their lives, both were surprise attacks and both caused the deployment of American armed forces.

Pearl Harbor happened while the world was in the grip of World War II. America suffered 9/11 in a time of peace.

Or was it? We were attacked viciously, and we had known that terrorists wanted to strike America. Is that really a time of peace?

It would seem that we are always at war. Human nature would appear to be just too nasty for everyone to get along with each other.

9/11. That was the day we all learned a hard lesson. We, America and all her inhabitants, do have something to fear.

Terror.

Growing up, we saw Desert Storm. We heard about Bosnia, couldn't find it on a map, but we heard about it. We were sad when we heard that an American solider had died. But we still weren't afraid.

After 9/11?

Fear. Yeah, we feel it. For the first time, the fear is real.

But the land of the free is also the home of the world only superpower. We stitched up our wounds. We changed our views on life and the world and grew up. We proved that the land of the free was shaken, but still the home of the brave.

In our first Stoutonia meeting of the year, someone brought up the possibility that our generation would eventually forget about 9/11. Immediately one voice let out the American Spirit, "Like hell we're gonna forget."

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Trees so big they make Shaq look small

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

Looking back on it all, it seems like such a dream. To be able to get in the middle of what I've been striving to protect: the National Parks of the United States. Tree hugger I may be, but perhaps you would be too if you understood the careless destruction that continues to take place.

Trees aren't the irreplaceable main source of oxygen that we all think they are. The oldest and tallest trees in the world have been damaged the most. Redwood National Park preserves two of the three percent of the Redwoods that remain. The other one percent belongs to private owners.

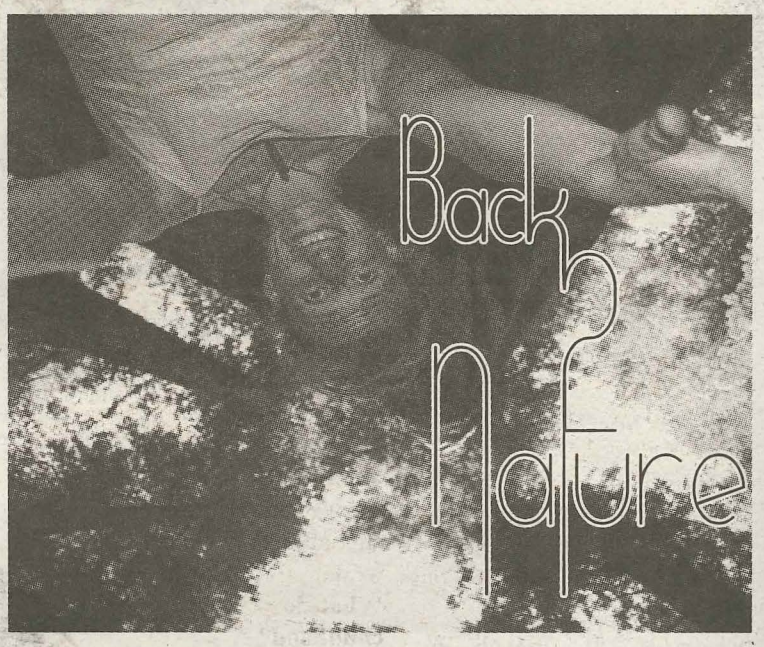
97% of the redwood trees have been logged for homes, paper products and several other paper products that Americans have consumed. For those of you reading that as just another statistic, think about paying a visit to see how much is actually left.

We went into the heart of the Tall Trees Grove; a permit is now required to reduce the impact of the area, along with an hour and a half winding road to get there and a gated entrance.

Such precautions were understood when we got there. My fiancé and I had decided that we wanted to backpack and spend the night amongst these giants. After a short one and a half-mile hike down, we found ourselves surrounded by redwoods, 10-15 feet in diameter and taller than the Statue of Liberty, the tallest being 368 feet.

Natural fires are a common occurrence in National Forests. Redwoods remain protected by bark that is one-foot thick and coated in tannin, a natural fire retardant. Severe fires can still burn through part of this bark, but the tree is strong enough to remain alive and keep growing around the damage.

The Save-the-Redwoods League strives to protect more than six of the 10 acres of redwoods in California, and states that, "A natural coast redwood forest is a perfect recycling system. The soil contains few nutrients; most of the substance necessary for life is in the trees themselves, living and dead, and the other plants and animals of the forest."



If trees are removed from the forest instead of being allowed to die and decay naturally, many nutrients are lost from the cycle. Thus logging practices have had strict regulations enforced, but clear-cutting is still a frequent occurrence.

When driving into a National Forest, just south of the redwoods, we were shocked to find that the forest had been clear-cut right up to the National Forest boundary line; a sad site that is still common in many parts of the west. This is why we need to do our part to help enforce the national parks and forests so that they will remain for generations to come.

Theodore Roosevelt was the first president to take pride in protecting natural wonders, "Roosevelt established the U.S. Forest Service and signed the 1906 Antiquities Act under which he proclaimed 18 national monuments. He also established five national parks, 51 wildlife refuges and 150 national forests," National Parks Service.

It makes me proud to have had a president that actually cared about the future of the earth and the generations to come. If we don't continue Roosevelt's efforts, our resources may actually deplete in our children's lifetime.

Searching for the spirit of Thailand

Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

After a 12-hour airplane ride across the Pacific Ocean, they were there. The 17 students of study abroad course, The Spirit of Thailand had arrived at the Bangkok International Airport.

The Spirit of Thailand is one of many summer programs offered through the office of international education. Dr. Bruce Pamperin, along with Dr. Lamar Roberts of Chiang Mai University guided the students during the trip.

During the 19-day trip (from May 14 until June 1), the groups traveled through Chiang Mai to study the many temples and the Lahu hill tribes. In Bangkok they observed the new life center which helped girls who were brought to Thailand for prostitution and cheap labor. Phuket, their last stop, holds the sea gypsies who make a living by fishing.

Before going on the trip, some students prepared by getting their shots, reading about Thailand and attending some informational meetings.

"We had to learn a little about the culture and what was right and wrong," said Tess Dinius, a sophomore in retail merchandising and management.

Although the class only lasted under a month, students agree it was plenty of time to learn.

"I learned a lot about the minority groups in Thailand, more than I think I'd ever have learned on my own, and I also learned a lot about the Thai culture," said Joanne Ehrmantraut, a sophomore majoring in psychology. "I find myself following some of their cultural traits and it's totally cool."

The goal of the class was to offer students a chance to discover another country, its people, religions and cultural diversity.

"[I discovered] that the way we do things in everyday life in America is different from the way many people in Thailand live, yet it is not necessarily better or worse than how they do things," said Angela Skaletski, a senior majoring in psychology.

Interacting with people wasn't as easy as simply talking to someone, but the students were able to communicate what they needed to by using body language.

"Even though there may be a communication barrier among different cultures it is really not all that hard to still interact," said Korey Polka, a senior majoring in retail merchandising and management.

Class requirements were to attend lectures while in Thailand, keep a journal and write a 10-page paper. Most who went would probably agree they didn't go for the credits, however.

"[I went] to travel and experience a totally different culture," said Skaletski.

While experiencing another society, many students found themselves contemplating their own ways of life.

"I learned a lot about myself," said Ehrmantraut. "There was a lot of personal growth and reflection done on the trip."

Not only did the group get to meet the native peoples of Thailand, but some didn't know

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Courtesy of *Joanne Ehrmantraut*

The main gate in Taipai, Thailand is one of the many sights students of the study abroad course, The Spirit of Thailand, saw. The trip lasted 19 days during the summer, and in that time, the class vistited Chiang Mai, Bangkok and Phuket. The goal of the course was to immerse students in another society to study its people, cultural diversity and religions.

Stout Watch

Barbara Cloutier
Financial Aid Counselor

Hometown: New Auburn, Wis.
Family Status: No spouse, no kids, one cat.
Where did you go to college?
Columbia College of Missouri.
What is the worst job you've ever had?
While in the Navy, part of my responsibilities was maintaining communications control with our CH-46 Helicopters via radar and a transponder. I had to make certain they stayed out of enemy airspace while in the Persian Gulf. I was terrified I was going to kill someone.
What is your favorite season and why?
After 8 years in the Seattle area… I like the fact that we actually have four seasons.
What would you change about this school given the power?
Umm, considering I was just hired into a great position, my answer is "nothing"! (ask me next year!)
What is your favorite thing about Stout students?
They're the smartest, most gifted and attractive students in the world.
What do you miss about childhood?
High metabolism

What would you change about this school given the power?
Develop a greater sense of community among students.
When you were a child, what was your dream job?
I wanted to be a mountain man.

Philip Schwarz
Library Director

Hometown: Mazomanie, Wis.
Family Status: Married, one child (Justin).
Where did you go to college?
UW-Platteville, University of Denver and UW-Stout.
What is the worst job you've ever had?
Tarring roofs.
What is your favorite season and why?
Fall – I enjoy the fall colors, cool weather and Green Bay Packers.
What is your favorite thing about Stout students?
Their enthusiasm for learning.
What is the biggest risk you have ever taken?
Climbing Mount Kolahoi in Kashmir.
What do you miss about childhood?
Having lots of energy.
What song gets stuck in your head?
Puff the Magic Dragon

Thailand /*Studying cultural diversity*

any of their travel mates at the beginning of the trip and got to discover them as well.

"Our group was very diverse," said Polka. "We all come from different backgrounds and have different beliefs but we accepted that and got to know each other for who they were."

Some aspects of Thailand were similar to things in America such as McDonalds and movie theaters. Seeing the movie Troy only cost $2.00. Seating was assigned, and before the movie, students had to stand during a five minute tribute to the king.

"Everyone over there loves the king and if you talk bad about him you could get thrown in jail for life." said Ehrmantraut.

People had different things they enjoyed the most. Shopping and the food were a couple things people enjoyed.

"I loved nearly every meal," said Ehrmantraut. "Everything is fresh there and my body was so used to the lack of chemicals that once I got home when I ate food with a bunch of preservatives I got sick."

An obvious favorite that most of the group agrees on is the scenery of the trip.

"Phuket was amazing," said Ehrmantraut. "It was the 'paradise' you see on postcards."

Many of the students who went on the trip have traveled in the past, and if not they plan to continue traveling.

"Thailand was nothing like anything I'd ever experienced before," said Ehrmantraut, who has been to Spain, Germany, Austria, the Czech Republic, Canada and Mexico. "I went in with no expectations and the few things I did think were quickly surpassed. Everyone will bend over backwards to help you or to make sure you get what you desire. Yes, the people in Europe were great, but nothing compared to Thais."

The cost of studying abroad in Thailand through this course is roughly $2,800 and includes the application fee, course enrollment for credit, enrollment in the medical insurance program, air travel, housing, program tours, transportation and some meals.

The Spirit of Thailand course has received very high praise from the students who attended the trip.

Courtesy of *Joanne Ehrmantraut*

Terisa Glenz, a psychology major, (top) spends time with some Hmong children in Thailand. Also in Thailand, a Buddah statue in Chiang Mai (bottom left) decorates the city. In another part of the city, The Spirit of Thailand class poses at the top of a mountain in Chiang Mai. The class participated in a variety of activities such as studying Lahu hill tribes, observing sea gypsies, attending lectures and even making their way to the movie Troy. It was shown in English with Thai subtitles, despite the fact that it was shown in Thailand.

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Jury fun, not duty

Diana Minea
Columnist

When I started the summer. pouring coffee at Starbucks, I would never have guessed that by mid-August I would have someone's life in my hands.

I showed up for jury duty on Aug. 16 and after a long series of questions, I was selected as one of 12 jurors on a felony case of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree.

The verdict was a no-brainer for us in this father-versus-daughter case; we sided with the defendant and let him walk free on Aug. 18.

For me, the experience of jury duty was nerve-wracking, yet enjoyable. During my three long days of trial I bonded with total strangers I would have most likely just passed walking down the street.

I got to sit back and watch the creative ways people used to get out of jury duty. One man claimed to be so disgusted with the court system that he planned to move out of the county.

Bailiff Bob was one of the funniest people I have ever met, and made the event of shuffling from room-to-room-to-room far less annoying.

Also, when the trial was over, we were allowed to converse with the judge and ask her anything except whether or not she agreed with our verdict.

As I take these memories and learning experiences on with me, I can't help but feel sorry for the family that was torn apart by either a misunderstanding or exaggeration by one 14-year-old girl.

I have no doubt that if I were judging the defendant and his wife on bad parenting I would have voted guilty. Since it wasn't my job to determine that, I hope the social workers can help the family recover, and possibly one day reunite the "victim" with her family.

ENTERTAINMENT

The 411

September 9 to September 16

Thursday, Sept. 9
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec Center.
>**The Big WU,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., $16 all ages.
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
>**Stout Adventures Climbing Wall,** Johnson Fieldhouse, 4-10 p.m., free.

Friday, Sept. 10
>**Rock on the Red Cedar** 6:30 p.m., Dunn County Rec. Park, 1-Day pass $15, 2-Day pass $20, at Service Desk in MSC.
>**Stout Adventures Climbing Wall,** Johnson Fieldhouse, 4-10 p.m., free.

Saturday, Sept. 11
>**Rock on the Red Cedar,** 3 p.m., Dunn County Rec Park, 1-Day pass $15, 2-Day pass $20, at Service Desk in MSC.
>**Yeshuapolooza,** noon-10:30 p.m., Wilson Park bandshell, free.
>**Colfax Art Festival,** all day, Colfax Fairgrounds.

Sunday, Sept. 12
No Events Scheduled

Monday, Sept. 13
>**Sujo John: Survivor of 9/11,** 7:30 p.m., Great Hall, free.

Tuesday, Sept. 14
>**Porn Star: Legend of Ron Jeremy,** 7 p.m., AA 210, free.
>**Great American Cookout,** 4-7 p.m., South Campus lawn, Baseline: $2.15, Flexline: $5.50, Cash: $6.50.

Wednesday, Sept. 15
No Events Scheduled

Thursday, Sept. 16
>**Grickle Grass,** Pawn patio, 8 p.m., free.

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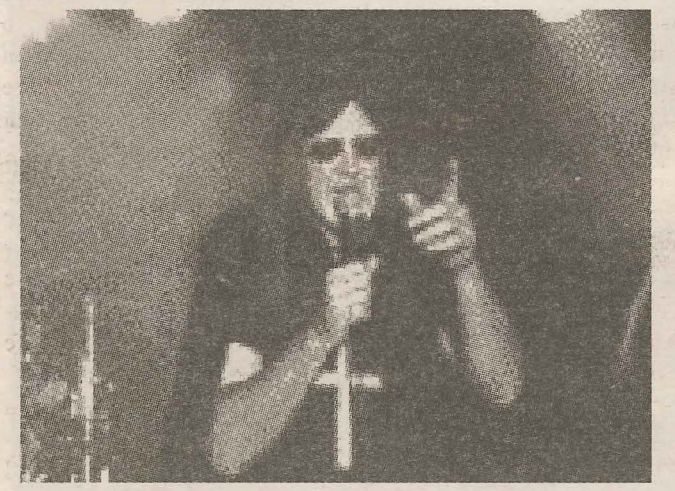
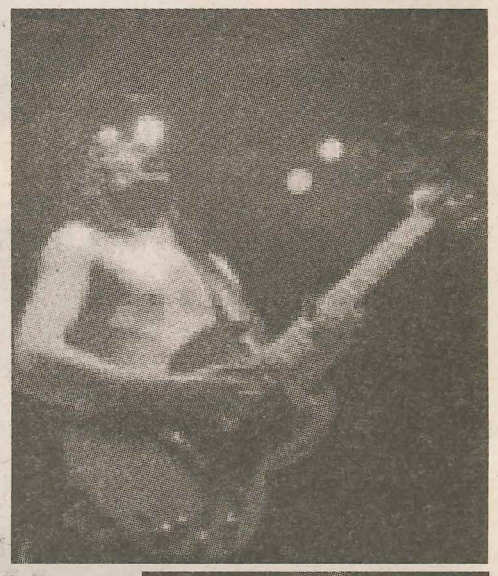
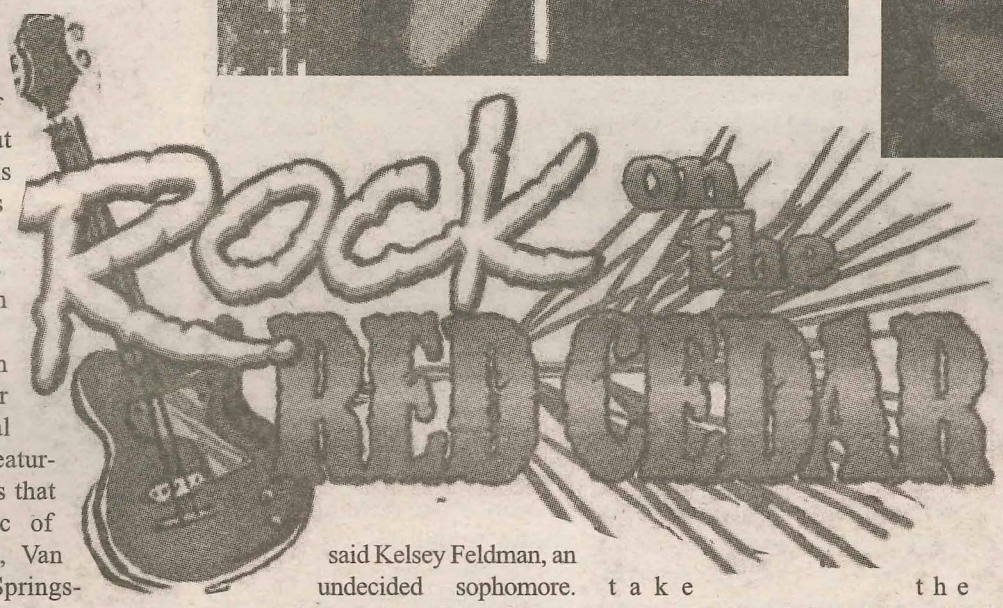
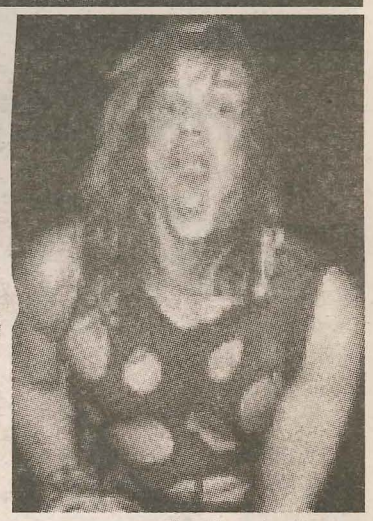
Legends Rock on the River

By Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor









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(top left) A member of Hairball rocks to 80s classics. (top right) Hells Bells guitarist plays a classic riff of AC/DC. (bottom) The Atomic Punk lead singer wails a Van Halen favorite.

Just when you thought this weekend would be another trip home to listen to your little cousins screaming and squealing while your Great Aunt Edna pinches your cheeks and tries to feed you her new batch of rice pudding, you were wrong.

There's a wave of anticipation and excitement growing throughout University of Wisconsin-Stout students this weekend, as Rock on the Red Cedar makes its debut in Dunn County.

Rock on the Red Cedar is a classical rock concert featuring cover bands that sing the music of favorites KISS, Van Halen, Bruce Springsteen, AC/DC and many more. The concert is to be held on Friday, Sept. 10, starting at 7 p.m., and Saturday, Sept. 11, starting at 3 p.m.

The location for the concert is the Dunn County Recreational Park in Menomonie. UW-Stout students can get a one day pass for $15 and a two day pass for $20. Admission is also open to the public for $20 for a one day pass and $25 for a two day pass.

The bands playing include Strutter, The Atomic Punks, Hairball, and Hells Bells, just to name a few.

"I can't wait to see Hells Bells," said Kelsey Feldman, an undecided sophomore. "They're so good!"

Friday night will consist of a beverage tasting contest from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and then One Little Victory, a Rush tribute band, will begin to play. To finish the night off with a kick, The Atomic Punks will do a tribute to early Van Halen.

Saturday the concert starts getting a little more rowdy, starting off the night with Hairball. Hairball is a band that sings 80s hair band hits mixed with the obvious humor that comes with being a part of an 80s hair band.

Then Lucky Town, a Bruce Springsteen tribute band, will take the stage. They are followed by Hells Bells, who are looking to create a little bit of thunder as they sing classics by crowd pleaser AC/DC.

Since the best is always saved for last, Strutter will be the last band playing. Strutter is a KISS tribute band that creates an electric energy on stage. If their costumes and makeup do not take you for a stroll down memory lane, their authentic sound and stage presence will be the perfect end to an amazing weekend of classical rock.

"Every weekend it's like the same thing. Menomonie is so boring," said Adam Rock, a senior majoring in art education. "All there is to do is drink and work. It's cool to finally have a concert that I don't have to go drive to see."

Take a break this weekend from your regular Menomonie routine, and stop out at the Dunn County Rec. Park. The music is sure to make your weekend as unforgettable as the original bands.

Movies you should never see. Ever.

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

This summer I embarked on a magical journey—a quest, if you will—through some of the worst that cinema has to offer.

Why did I do this to myself, you ask? I was bored. Exremely bored.

Out of the possible dozens of crappy movies we subjected ourselves to, I've managed to narrow down a list of the five worst, presented in order of increasing awfulness. The number one spot may actually be the worst movie ever made, but to start things off:

5. "Escape From New York" (1981)

In the futuristic year of 1997, the crime rate of New York City had risen so drastically that federal government turns the island of Manhattan into a giant prison. The rules are simple: once you go in, you don't come out. When Air Force One crash-lands into Manhattan and the president is taken hostage by the inmates, there's only one man that can get him out: anti-hero Snake Plissken, played by a stoic Kurt Russell.

For the first half-hour, John Carpenter actually makes the film's 80s cheesiness and transparently low budget work in its favor to provide a fun, if brain-dead, movie. Lee Van Cleef and Isaac Hayes are inspired casting choices. Eventually the story and actors start taking themselves too seriously, though and the movie tanks. The ending is a major anti-climax, but by the time you reach it you're too bored to care.

4. "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 2: The Secret of the Ooze" (1991)

When this movie hit theaters, it nearly blew my seven-year-old mind. I was literally awestruck by the rays of coolness emanating from that big screen.

Watching the movie again after thirteen years is almost a little embarrassing. "TMNT 2" is, after all, a kids' movie, so don't expect it to make a lot of sense. The fight scenes are laughable; the dialogue is atrocious; and of course, there is the infamous Vanilla Ice cameo at the end.

3. "Highlander" (1986)

The premise of the movie is roughly this: Connor MacLeod (Christopher Lambert) is part of a superhuman race that just can't seem to die—unless they get their heads get chopped off, anyway. Apparently these immortals' only purpose in life is to kill each other in swordplay until only one remains. The movie's contribution to pop culture: "In the end there can be only one." The prize? No one really knows.

This may sound really stupid, but trust me, it's actually much stupider than it sounds. Sean Connery receives top billing for what amounts to a cameo—not to mention the movie's

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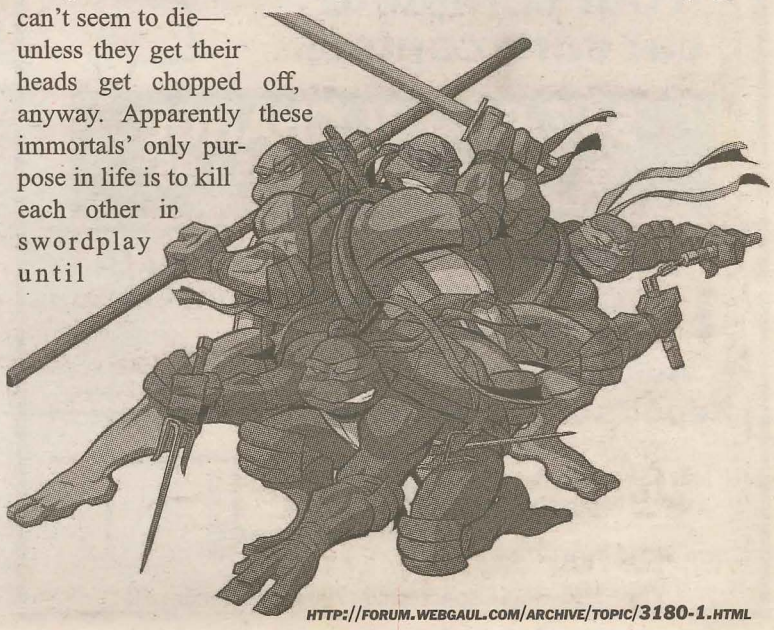

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Movies / *some oldies are not always goodies*

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only touch of class—and Lambert is about as uncharismatic a lead as you can get.

This terrible little movie that spawned sequels and multiple television series seems almost an arbitrary turn of fate. Perhaps the franchise itself, like its characters, just doesn't know how to crawl off and die.

2. "Street Fighter" (1994)

Count on my friends to even think of watching something like this. While "Escape From New York" was a dumb action flick, it was at least ambitious and served up high concept and dark humor. "Street Fighter" doesn't even try to redeem itself.

Staring Jean-Claude Van Damme, it's based on a video game. It's dumb, it's loud, and it's obnoxious. The only thing it's missing is Steven Seagal. That's all you really need to know.

One interesting fact: Raul Julia died shortly before this movie was released, making this his last film. He deserved better. As bad as "Street Fighter" and its ilk are, the number one spot goes to perhaps the worst movie experience of all time. During the last week of summer, one of my friends was able to procure a copy of…

1. "Plan 9 From Outer Space" (1959)

Here is a movie that has earned its rightful place at the bottom of the barrel. "Plan 9" is actually celebrated by many for its awfulness, which naturally invites curiosity. But is it in fact, as advertised, the worst movie ever made? That's hard to say because no one can possibly watch every movie that's ever been made. I'm willing to say that it's the worst movie I've ever seen.

The movie includes sunlight bombs, wobbling flying saucers suspended by fishing line, prodigious use of stock footage and aliens dressed in roller skating skirts. Ed Woods, the infamous director, hated shooting second takes. Actors flub lines, set pieces wobble and microphones occasionally drop within camera range. Editing is incredibly poor. In one cemetery scene (of many), the scenery shifts from daytime, to nighttime, back to daytime.

Technical insufficiencies aside, does the story itself hold up? It doesn't make an ounce of sense. When not laughing at "Plan 9"'s unintentional hilarity, you'll spend most of your time either scratching your head or yawning. Everything about this movie is dumb. It's not that this movie needed to be rewritten; it needed to be abandoned.

One last thing: this film marked the end of Bela Lugosi's acting career. Lugosi died within four days of shooting. This type of inconvenience might dissuade a normal director. Not Ed Woods. He used what little footage of Lugosi he had, and then shot the rest of the movie using a double that sort of looked like Lugosi.

By "sort of," I mean from the forehead up: this double, purportedly Woods' chiropractor, is always careful to keep his face covered by a cape, in a pose almost mocking Lugosi's iconic depiction of Dracula. It would be funny if it didn't seem like the film was taking a deliberate piss on a screen legend's grave.

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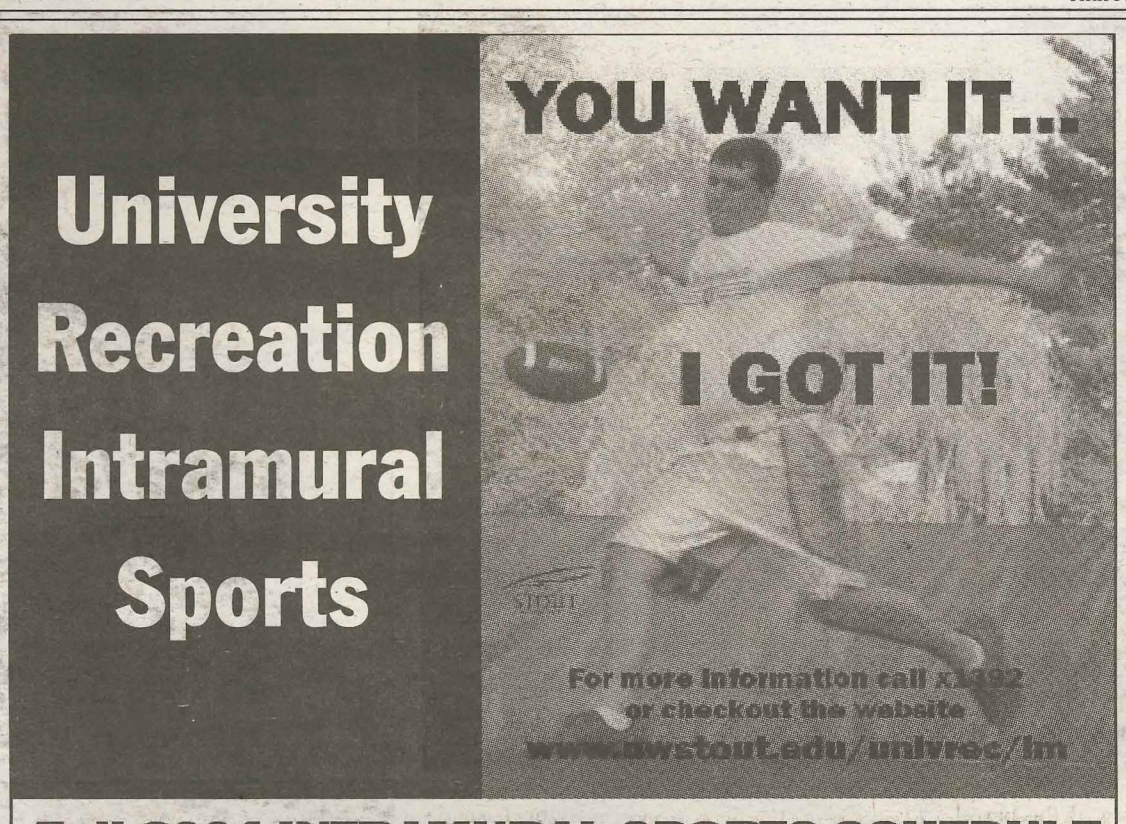

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Registration Sept. 6-10

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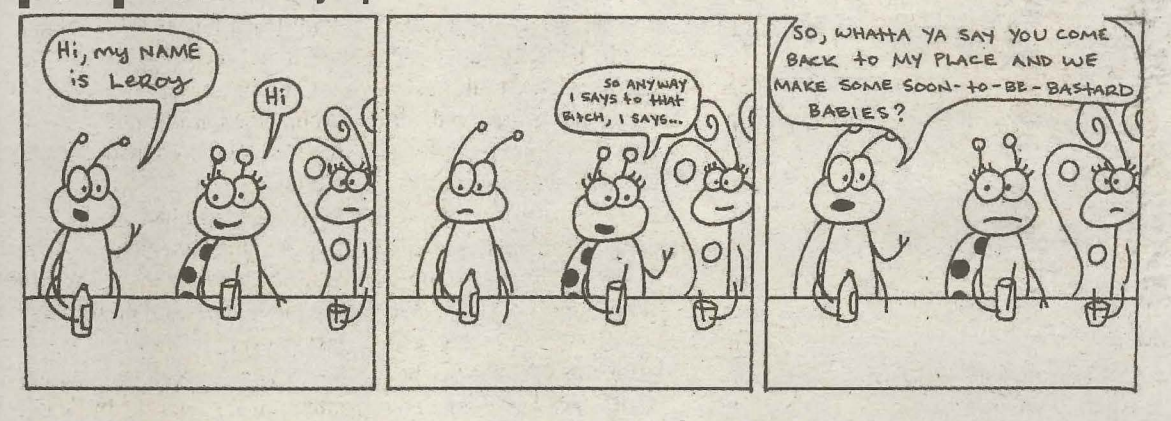

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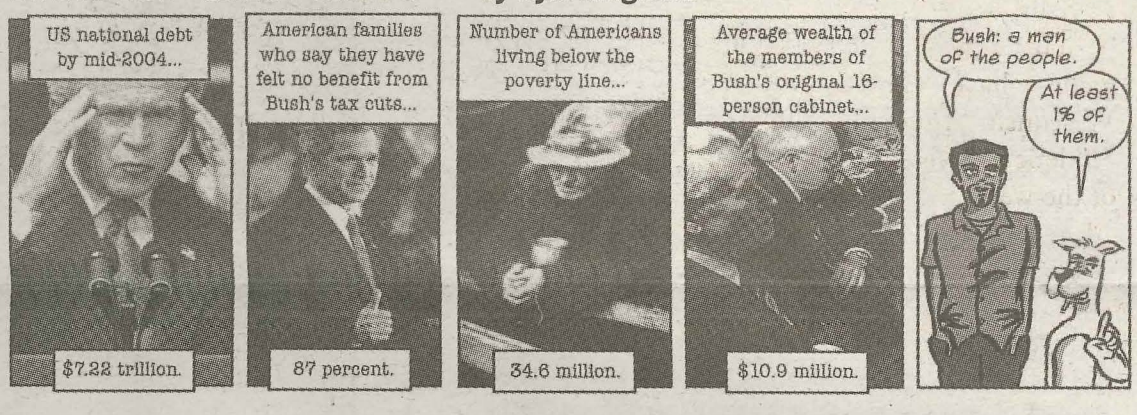

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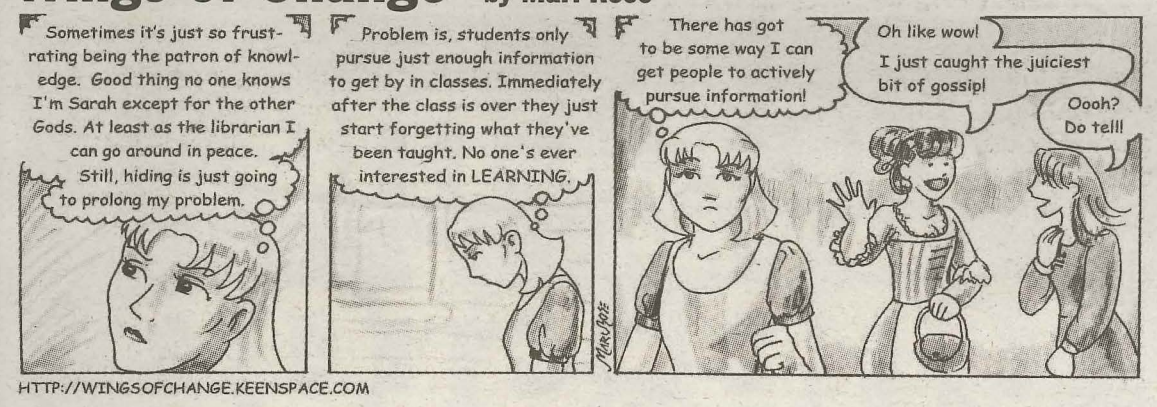

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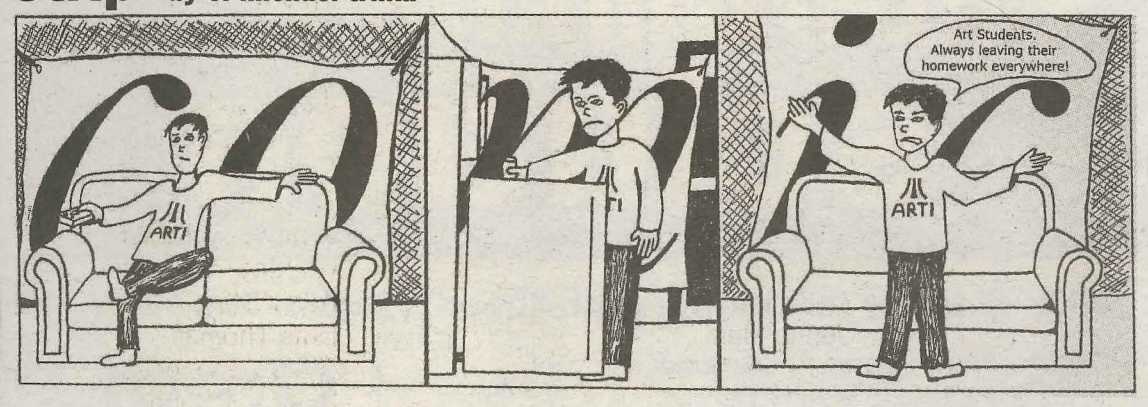

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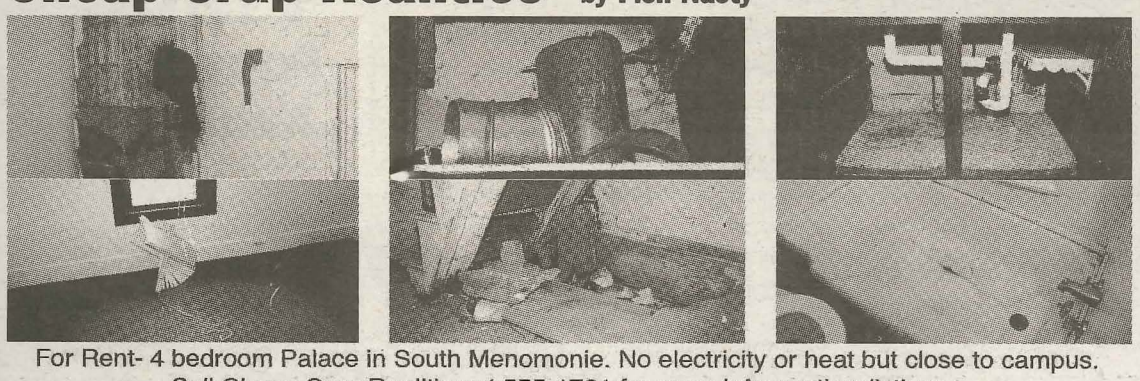

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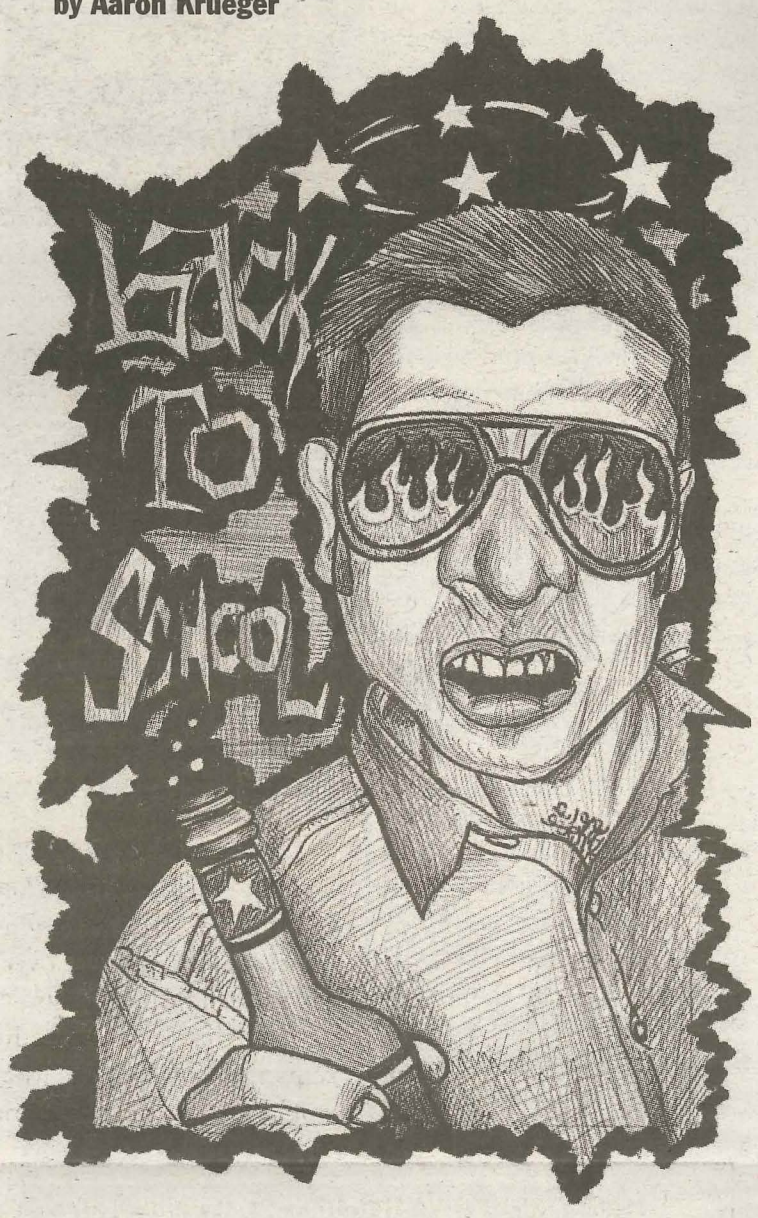

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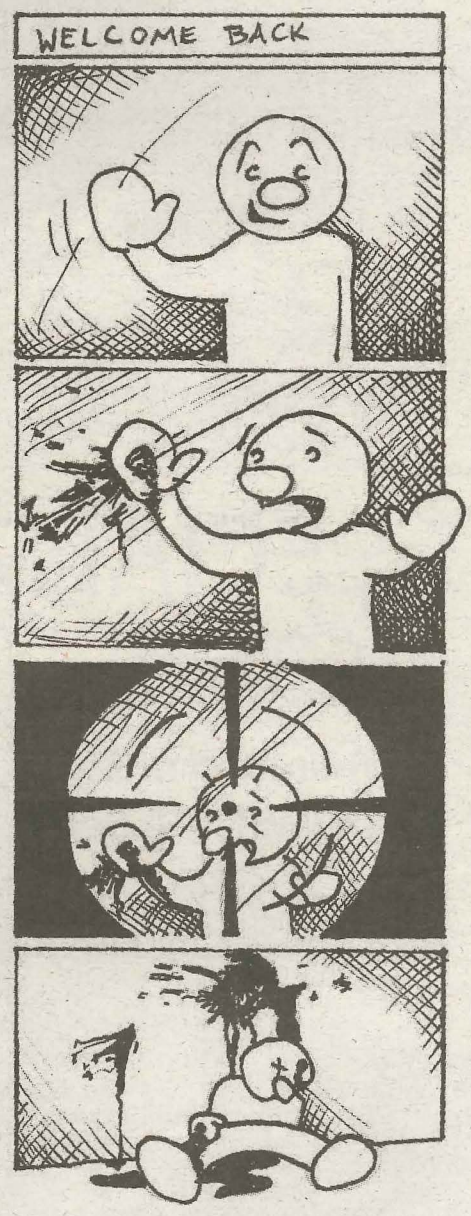


No longer just playing for kicks

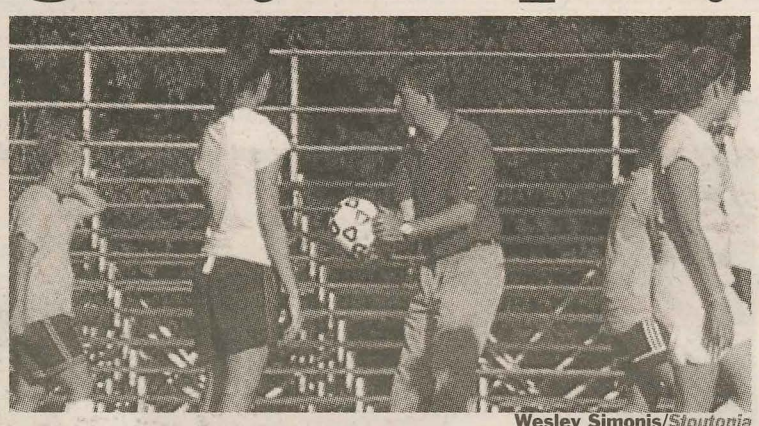
By Wesley Simonis
Stoutonia Sports Editor

The forecast for the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's soccer team is looking bright this year. The Blue Devil women coming off their best season in school history.

With a record last season of 12-7-0 it was a year for the history books.

Over the past few seasons, the team has been slowly building a group that can contend for a top conference position; this season may be the payoff year for the Blue Devils.

UW-Stout was heavy on the offensive side last season, scoring 61 goals. The Blue Devils had an iron hard defense as well, only allowing 12 goals scored all season.



Wesley Simonis/*Stoutonia*

Head coach David Morris works with the team during practice.

The team received plenty of help from the goal keeper, Melissa Ballwig, who set a school record with seven shutouts, only giving up an average .69 goals per game.

This Blue Devils season has already began with step in the right direction.

In the first three games of the season, UW-Stout posted two shutout wins and a tie.

"In the three games we've had so far, we have had many obstacles to overcome," said senior midfielder, Carrie Schrank. "Together we have pushed each other to play our best."

The winning momentum early in the season has given the Blue Devils the confidence to make a run for the WIAC.

If the Blue Devils want a piece of the WIAC title, the women will have to do it as an underdog. UW-Stout has a preseason ranking of sixth in the WIAC.

"Each year we build a little on to what we have already accomplished and it makes a big difference," said sophmore midfielder, Tayna Gegare. "We start each season with the goal of going for the WIAC title, but never before has our goal been more obtainable."

UW-Stout is equipped with 18 returning letter winners and a group of freshman who show potential.

"We have a strong group of returners that have faught to make this team what it is today," said Gegare. "With the new players adding their strong skills I believe we have not only the confidence but also the talent to reach our goals."

Making up this strong group is Schrank and forwards Kelly Stolarczyk and Shannon Hermes.

Stolarczyk had 12 goals last season and has already earned WIAC player of the week while Hermes had a team high 14 goals last season.

Schrank recieved national attention last season by leading all division III players in assists with 19.

"We know that we can be competitive with any team we play," said Schrank. "We play hard, give a lot of effort and at the end of the game, if we do that, we hope to be on top."

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Kelly Stolarczyk
Soccer

Kelly Stolarczyk started the season off with a hand in the scoring in the first three games for the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Her goal in the home opener against Gustavus Adolphus was the goal that would eventually secure the tie for the Blue Devils.

In a match against St. Mary's, Stolarczyk had a key pass that led to a game winning goal in double overtime for the Blue Devils.

Stolarczyk started the sequence of passes that would lead to another game winning goal in overtime when the UW-Stout defeated Salisbury 1-0.

Her efforts in all three games have earned her Wisconsin Intercolleigate Athletic Conference player of the week.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football

First game will be played on Sept. 11 at DePauw University 1:30 p.m.

First home game is Sat., Sept. 25 against UW-Oshkosh at 1 p.m.

Cross Country

The cross country team will open the season on Sept. 18 at the St. Olaf Invitational.

Tennis

The Blue Devils (1-2) lost both matches, falling 5-4 to Knox College and 6-3 to host Beloit College.

Current Record
1-2

Next Match:
Sept 11. hosting
St. Scholastica

Soccer

UW-Stout defeated Salisbury in overtime 1-0.

Current Record
2-0-1

Next Game:
Sept. 10 at
Maranatha Baptist

Volleyball

Volleyball won four games at the UW-River Falls tourament

Current Record 4-0
Next Game:
Sept. 10 at
Augusburg

A new coach for a new era

By Wesley Simonis
Stoutonia Sports Editor

Wesley Simonis/*Stoutonia*

The football team is making final adjustments during practice this week. The Blue Devils are hoping to improve on last seasons 6-4 record. The first UW-Stout home game will be on September 25.

Blue Devil football coach Tom Strop has been with the University of Wisconsin-Stout for seven years. His role as a defensive coordinator has helped lead the Blue Devils to multiple seasons of successful football.

This season Strop begins his role as the head coach of the Blue Devils and with it comes many questions to be answered.

The Blue Devils finished last season with a record of 6-4.

Key losses on offense and defense prevented UW-Stout from contending for the conference title. One year later, the team's focus remains the same.

"We hope to have a shot at the conference title every year," said Strop. "Our goals haven't changed."

Changes have taken place on both sides of the ball, and only time will tell how the Blue Devils compare to the other teams in the WIAC.

Offensively, the big questions will be on the offensive line and running back. Ryan Englebert will return to the Blue Devils backfield after missing most of last season with an injury suffered in a car accident.

Englebert dislocated his hip in the accident and teammate Matt Sprester sufferer an ankle injury.

Both players should be in top shape for the upcoming season.

"I lifted and re-habed three times a day from January until August," said Englebert. "I am in better shape now than I was before the accident."

Doctors had told Englebert that he would be lucky if he would ever walk normally again, but he said he refused to put restrictions on his life.

Junior, John Hendricks, another running back, will also be in the Blue Devil's lineup this season.

Hendricks has yet to start for UW-Stout, but has had experience running the ball for the Blue Devils.

The biggest uncertainy for squad this season may be on the offensive line.

With four new starters up front and only one senior, there will be an assortment of young talent for UW-Stout to choose from.

Quarterback Nick Ohman will be one of the veteran players for the Blue Devils. He threw 18 touchdown passes and had six rushing touchdowns last season. Ohman had 132 completions and only threw five interceptions.

Seniors Seth Mattison and Matt Sprester will head the wide receiving core. Mattison had 17 catches last season for the Blue Devils.

Sprester's ankle injury left him on the sidelines for the rest of the season, but he was the leader in receiving at the time of the injury.

Both seniors will have help from sophomores Jesse Wendt and John Freeman.

On defense UW-Stout is filled with veteran talent. Last season the defense combated injury in the linebacker and secondary positions but returns this season with fresh legs.

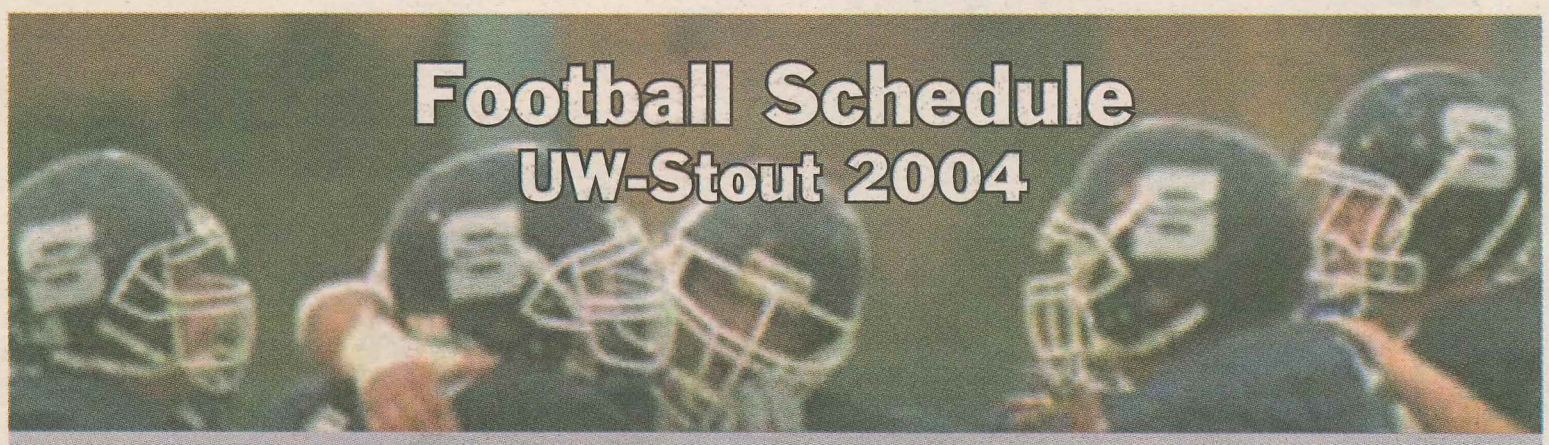
Seniors Nate Rykal and Travis Phillips will play inside linebacker positions, while seniors Luke Rykal and Noah Mayer will play at outside linebacker.

Cornerbacks Joe Seep and Tony Fitts are both returning starters and bring all-conference quality depth to the secondary.

When the season opens this Saturday at DePauw University, it will be a fresh start for many Blue Devil players, personnel and the new head coach.

"This is a great university to be coaching for," said Strop. "I am very excited to be coaching these guys."

UW-Stout will play its home opener on Sept. 25 at 1 p.m. against the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.



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Saturday, Oct. 9	@ UW-Whitewater	1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 16	UW-Stevens Point *Homecoming*	1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23	@ UW-River Falls	1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 30	UW-La Crosse	1 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 6	UW-Eau Claire	1 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 13	@ UW-Platteville	1 p.m.

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The girls tennis team is hoping up their game level.

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"Fahrenheit 451" not hot with frosh

By Jesse Young
News Writer

In early spring, all freshmen received letters containing information stating that they would have to read a book over the summer, and they would be given assignments in their classes that would pertain to the book they read. The book is "Fahrenheit 451" by Ray Bradbury.

At Orientation and Registration many new freshmen were told to go to the bookstore, here at University of Wisconsin - Stout, to purchase the book. Many did as they were told, unless they had already purchased the book elsewhere.

As the long summer hours dawned, most of the students picked up the book and began to read. Some really liked the book and enjoyed it immensely. Others were completely turned off by the time they reached the middle.

"It was [expletive removed], and I didn't care to read the rest of it," said Evan Arnold, a freshman in packaging.

This was a very common statement from freshmen who have read the book. They either didn't like the book because it didn't suit them, or they couldn't connect with the characters and plot portrayed.

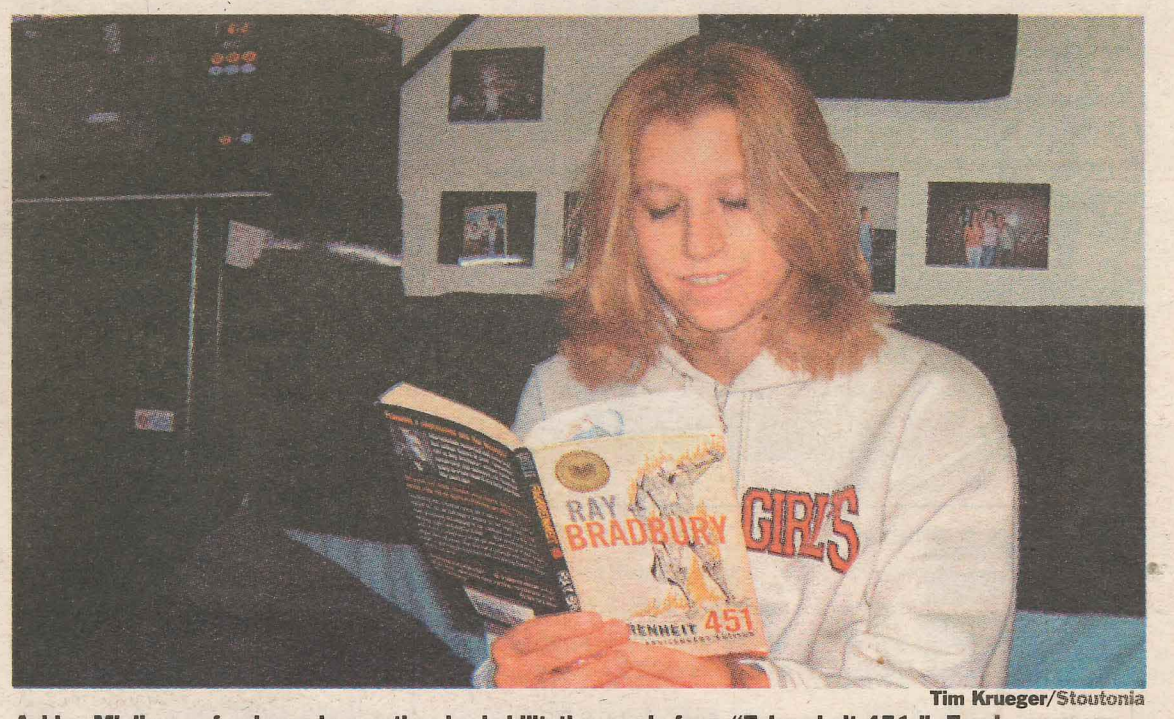
"Fahrenheit 451" is about a fututristic society in which all of our current society's problems are inflated to dramatize the issues we face. 451 degrees is the temperature at which books burn.

Some did enjoy Fahrenheit 451 and thought it was a good interpretation of what the future could be.

"Yeah, it was good. It can teach a lot to our generation about censorship," said Jordan Chabalowski, a freshman.

Others stated that even though the plot staggered at times, it was a very good story, and they could connect with what the characters were dealing with.

"Towards the end it got better and fast paced. It was alright, and I really liked the end," said Jennifer Kempf, a freshman in early childhood education.



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Ashley Mielhan, a freshman in vocational rehabilitation reads from "Fahrenheit 451." Freshmen were required to read the text before coming to UW-Stout, however many ignored the requirement.

An informal survey of freshmen was conducted on campus asking them if they did in fact read Fahrenheit 451. Of the people surveyed, 46 percent either didn't read the book at all or started but did not finish.

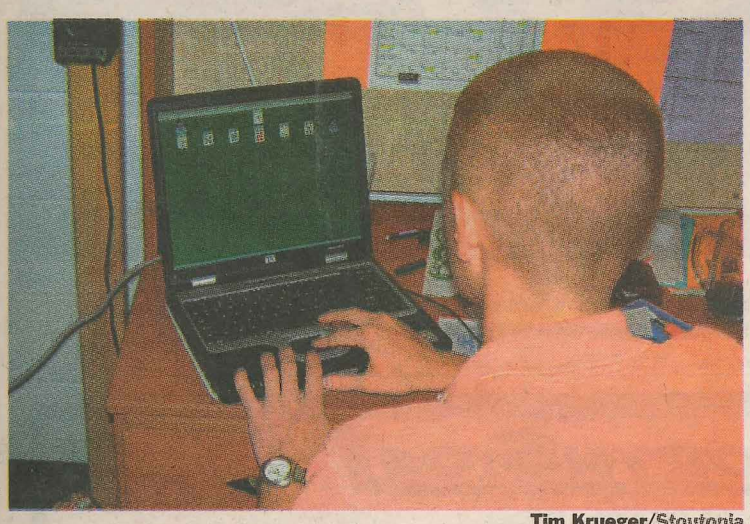
"It was summer and I didn't appreciate having an assignment during our summer vacation," said Jake Jones, a freshman.

Similar to Jones, many freshmen did not like the fact that they had an assignment over the summer. Some thought it was a burden and tried to put it off until the end of summer, and others thought that the book was a wrong choice of material that was not fit for reading in this day and age.

"It was kinda interesting, but it's not a book I'd go out and buy on my own, even though we were made to go and buy it," said Corrine Hofstrom, an undecided freshman.

Laptops will forever change learning

New teaching methods result from laptops



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Brad Bond, a junior in technology education, uses his laptop for one of the most frequent usages on campus; playing games.

By Ashley Potter
News Writer

With the laptop program in full swing, many students are left wondering if working laptops into the classrooms across campus is really an advantage.

The relationship between laptops and the University of Wisconsin - Stout began 5 years ago. Chancellor Sorenson initiated pilot programs, or experimental use of the laptops, where laptop use was worked into voluntary curriculums. Among these curriculums were Graphic Communications Management and Technical Communications.

According to Vice Chancellor Diane Moen, the program was motivated by the opportunity to best prepare students for careers. With technology advancing at rapid speeds, students must have technological backgrounds to survive in the working environment.

Pilot programs tested two objectives: how would the students respond to laptops in the curriculum, and how would faculty use laptops as a tool? The result of this experiment is what we have today, laptop use in nearly every classroom campus-wide.

"The digital revolution is fundamentally changing the way students learn and how deeply students learn and how professors teach," said Chancellor Sorensen when asked what the laptop program is bringing to Stout.

Julie Furst-Bowe, assistant Chancellor of assessment and continous improvement, is heading a program that will actually test the value of laptops at Stout.

Dr. Bruce Maylath, one of the professors with the pilot program, has seen many advantages and few disadvantages to the laptop use. There are negative aspects to the program when professors don't apply them efficiently to the curriculum. Also when students use them as entertainment during class time, which can be a distraction to the class.

Students can get to the point faster and spend less time on "busy work" that they would have to do on paper. For instance, graphing information can be done in seconds on a computer instead of by hand.

"In-class-laptop-use encourages the teachable moment," said Maylath, referring to what he saw as the key advantage. The "teachable moment" refers to the precious moment during a class when the class as a whole actively pursues a curiosity, whether it is off of the topic or not. Information can be found on odd topics quickly, where as without laptops, these curiosities couldn't be satisfied until possibly the next class period after research.

Recent research by Bradley Stafford, student body president, suggests that the laptop program is more costly than it should be. The Compaq Notebook nc6000 is the model issued to UW-Stout students, and it is for sale on the Hewlett Packard web site for $1748.00. Leasing it through UW-Stout will cost $1752.00 for the two-year lease.

Defendants of the plan argue that the lease price also includes maintenance, wireless web access and programming. These costs can be enormous, given the scope of this program.

Other colleges, such as West Virginia Wesleyan College, have also implemented technology programs in an attempt to increase student learning and attendance. However as UW-Stout is experiencing, these programs can be costly and rejected by students due to high cost with little visible benefit.

Higher education is seeing vast changes due to UW - Stout and the other 125 colleges nationwide that have adopted the laptop program.

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Scattered Clouds
High 76
Low 53

Saturday
Scattered Clouds
High 78
Low 56

Sunday
Scattered Clouds
High 79
Low 56

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Sept. 7 through Sept. 14
Possession of marijuana: 1 Underage drinking, first offense: 7 Criminal disorderly conduct: 1

Gone 'coon huntin
On Sept. 7, a UW-Stout police officer responded to a call about a wild raccoon under a vehicle in UW-Stout Parking Lot 30. The officer contacted the Menomonie Animal Control office, which removed the animal. The fate of the raccoon is unknown.

Freshmen cooking
Police responded to a fire alarm in HKMC Hall on Sept 9. The officer found a microwave on fire in the basement room C-72 Milnes. The Menomonie Fire Department arrived on the scene and put out the fire. The microwave was removed from the room and the hall staff was advised that they needed to contact maintenance to get a new microwave.

Raise your buckets
On Sept. 9, a patrolling officer observed a backhoe traveling on 2nd Street West in the 700 block. The officer noticed that the backhoe was causing damage to the road. The officer contacted Menomonie police and asked an officer to respond. A Menomonie officer stopped the operator and addressed the issue. Damage was caused to 2nd Street West between the 600 and 800 blocks.

Suspicious findings
Two students contacted police on Sept. 12 in reference to a purse they found between HKMC and CKTO halls. The students found the purse spread across the ground along with a pair of women's shoes. They placed all of the articles surrounding the purse back inside it and contacted police. The wallet found had no money in it. An officer took possession of the purse and tried to contact the owner. The officer couldn't contact the owner at an address found in the purse on the night of Sept. 12. The next day the owner contacted police and retrieved her property.

News for the College Attention Span

UW-Stout is now offering professional development courses for school teachers on-line. A new course, Bullying in schools: what educators can do, is being offered at the graduate level online. Many have signed up for the course, including local teachers, a soldier in Bosnia, and teachers in Bangkok, Thailand and Sao Paulo, Brazil.

A study conducted by Northstar Economics, Inc. of Madison, Wis., shows UW-Stout to have an economic impact of $312 million on the local economy of Dunn County. A total of $344 million is the impact on the entire state from UW-Stout. Students were responsible for $61 million of this as a part of what they spend each year above tuition costs. Students also contribute 36,000 volunteer hours per year.

Poet Philip Miller will be reading from his new book, "Branches Snapping" at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16 at UW-Stout's Furlong Gallery. Miller has published in many journals and magazines and is one of the key figures of Kansas City's literary scene.

Mark Wellman, a former Yosemite National Park ranger will be speaking at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 27 in the Great Hall of the Memorial Student Center. Wellman was paralyzed while descending the Seven Gables in the John Muir Wilderness. Since the accident, Wellman has gone on to be the first paraplegic to ascend climbing routes in Yosemite and also has been a paralympian and completed college.

The World Wildlife Foundation is sponsoring a competition to design wildlife-friendly fishing gear. The International Smart Gear Competition is open to students through Dec. 31, awarding $25,000 to the best design. Details at www.smartgear.org

A $25,000 grant will help the Wisconsin Medical Society set up a plan to help identify adults and adolescents before they become addicted to alcohol or drugs. The plan will be presented for implentation in one year.

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Appparantly someone thinks Bush is an "idoit". We are not sure what an "idoit" is, but we think they might have been looking for "idiot". Ironic, because who is the idiot?

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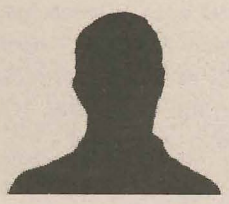


The Stoutonia Staff
Columnist

With the weather about to get cold for the rest of the school year, it's safe to say that the best of our short wearing opportunities are behind us. Cold weather brought up two interesting issues that the Stoutonia staff thought our readers would want to hear about.

Issue number one on our collective minds, was the smoking ban, which forces smokers to stay at least 25 feet away from the dorms. Not only do smokers have to go outside to smoke, but now they have to walk far enough away from where other people might be.

So why is it that one group of people have to be inconvenienced for the sake of another group?

Because smoke kills. Maybe not any faster than normal life itself, but since most people plan on living a long time and smoking causes cancer, people who want to live long lives want to keep the smoke out of their lungs. Not to mention smoke isn't really a great odor to get on clothes.

So, is it wrong to force one type of person away from a building for the sake of another type of person? In this case, probably not, because of health and common courtesy reasons.

Let's compare the folloing two sentences.

"It's really annoying when you smoke, and then I have to walk through it."

The smoker would be kind to say that they'll try not to smoke near that person again.

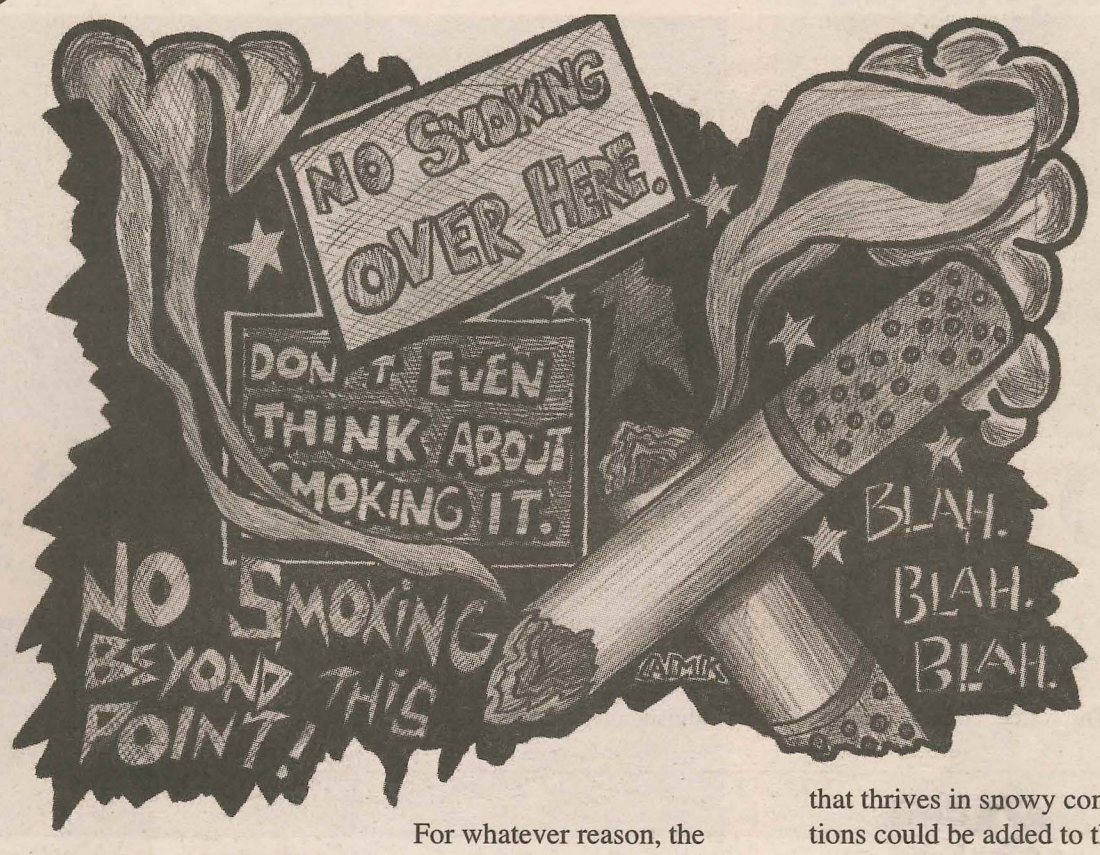
"It's really annoying when you burp, and then I have to walk through it."

The burper would be kind to say that they'll hold in their gas till later.

In both cases another person's feelings are being considered. That's all the non-smokers are asking for.

Pretty flowers.

That's the second issue



that was brought up at the Stoutonia's weekly staff meeting. Deep topic isn't it?

Actually, "pretty flowers" were just the surface to a very good observation; our campus looks great this year.

In past years, this university has not always had such a beautiful campus. We aren't saying that the campus looked terrible in past years, but it never looked this good.

For whatever reason, the campus looks great this year. Now, whether we should be thanking the grounds crew or Mother Nature for this marked improvement is another question.

If we here at the Stoutonia were betting people, which we aren't, we'd put our Benjamin's on the grounds crew.

But in the future, perhaps a hardy strain of cactus that thrives in snowy conditions could be added to the campus, or maybe plant some palm trees that can survive the harsh winters of Menomonie.

There are many other possible ways to make the campus look even better, but the best idea would be to fly all of us out to Arizona and conduct class there.

Getting back to reality, we live in Menomonie and we are glad for the flowers.

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Backpacking in bear country makes a person think

While hiking in Yosemite Valley, a chance meeting with a bear can be very interesting

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

Backpacking in bear country brought on a whole new challenge. We arrived in Yosemite Valley and headed for the wilderness permit office to get information on backpacking in the backcountry.

Due to very high activity of black bears in Yosemite, they have had to take several extreme measures in order to save the bears' lives. Becoming increasingly more comfortable around humans, food storage containers have grown to be a necessity.

Anyone who's gone camping should have seen signs stating, "Do not to feed the wild animals!" No matter how many times this was enforced, everywhere we went, we still saw someone feeding the wild animals.

A ranger had even told us that there had been people hand feeding the bears in order to get their pictures taken with them. I'm not sure where the common sense went on that decision, but wild animals of any size still have the instinct to attack for food.

Because of this, we were required to hike with a bear-proof container. The next challenge was fitting all of our food and scented items for the next five days for two people inside a container with the capacity of a one gallon bucket.

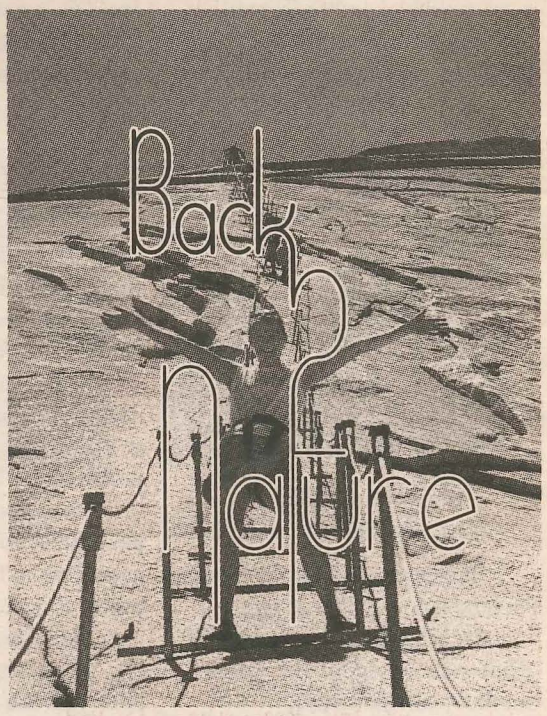
I felt like a magician with the amount of food that we managed to fit when eliminating all of the excess packaging.

Excited to be hiking away from the packed campgrounds down in the valley, we headed out towards half dome. The hike was full of spectacular views of waterfalls. We were even excited at the possibility of seeing a black bear.

That is, until the sun went down, and we realized that actually being able to see a black bear in the pitch black of the night wouldn't be very possible. Having our food strapped to our backs made me a little uneasy about running into a bear.

The darker it got, the more everything in the shadows started looking like a bear. After several hikers warning us about sightings of bears, my eyes were bulging out of my head in hopes of seeing the black bear, preferably before it was on my back.

The size can vary so greatly that we had no idea what to expect. With two miles to go, I was practically running uphill with a full pack due to the adrenaline rushing through my body. We got to a clearing at the top of the steep stretch where we ran into backpackers hiking out.



They warned us not to stray from our packs, as they'd seen a bear take an entire pack and run away with it ripping it apart to get at the food. That was not what I wanted to hear at this point.

The final stretch to our backpacker's campground area was only one mile now and we were heading straight into the black bear high activity area. That was quite possibly the fastest mile I have ever hiked with that much weight on my back.

Before I knew it we were safe inside our tent. Ironic how the thinnest material made me feel safe, but it did.

The next morning we awoke to a whole lot of commotion and everyone yelling, "Black bear headed your way." Needless to say, that was straight for us. Despite shaking to death, I sprung to my feet, grabbed the nearest sticks and started beating the sticks together, while chasing after the bear.

I then began throwing the pinecone's in the direction of the bear to scare him away. When the bear was a safe distance away, I turned around towards my fiancé and began laughing.

"That wasn't so bad," I told

Letters to the Editor

Voter information

September 2, 2004

I attended a 10th Senate District candidate forum hosted by the Voter's Service League in Siren, Burnett County on Aug. 31. Conspicuously absent from the forum was Divorce Lawyer Candidate Gary Bakke who was instead represented by his lawyer friend and campaign chairman, Nick Vivian. I was shocked when I learned that Mr. Bakke chose to attend a personal fundraiser in Milwaukee with his lawyer friends rather than appear at the Burnett County candidate event.

Where are Mr. Bakke's priorities? The answer to that question can be found in Bakke's campaign literature and was in Mr. Vivian's closing statement for the absent Mr. Bakke: "The world runs by those who show up!" Well, Mr. Bakke, YOU did not show up! The people in the 10th Senate District are disappointed and question if you are sincerely interested in representing our interests or your favorite special interest group – Lawyers! A State Senator's interest in the people of the district should be a candidate's highest qualification for the job.

On all accounts, Mr. Bakke has failed before the "first horse left the gate." I respectfully suggest that all electors vote in the Primary on Tues., Sept. 14th for Democrats -- but not for the absentee State Senate candidate.

James R. Gellerman
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Bush is bad

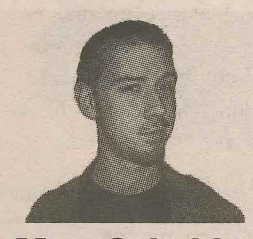
At best, Bush failed to discern the truth. And that is certainly not the mark of good leader.

At worst, Bush lied to the American people. And that is an act worthy of impeachment.

In either case, our soliders are the ones who are paying the price for Bush's decision to take us to war. We must remove him from office. It's the patriotic thing to do.

Laura Furtman
Webster, WI Resident
Sent on July 12

One glorious day of my long locks



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Greetings, readers, I trust you all had a fine time over the summer break, and even though this is, in all actuality, our third week back on campus, this is my first article back at school. Now that all the formalities are out of the way, I can get to the real issues of this article.

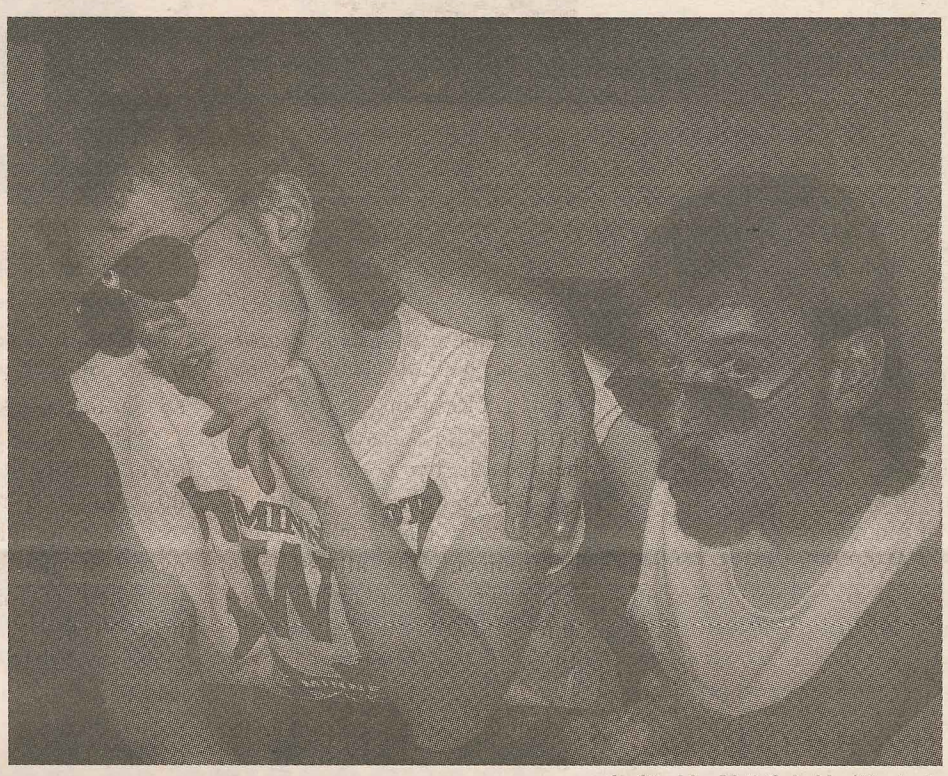
Over the summer, while the rest of you chumps were working or riding dolphins or whatever it is you kids do these days, I was doing something truly important: feat so astounding that grown men weep at the thought of it. I suppose one could say that I underwent a crazy ordeal and sacrificed my very life; or, at the very least, my personal hygiene and appearance. While other college students were working for a living, I was working for the weekend.

In case you couldn't tell by the new headshot that I have in the paper this year, I cut off a lot of my hair. A whole lot. But the fact that I cut my hair would be a pretty lame article, so don't worry, there is more to my writing than that. The unique thing about this haircut I got was that I only got part of it cut off at first. Those of you that just skipped to the pictures right away already know that for one shining day this summer, I had me a mullet.

That's my brother next to me in the pictures, and yes, that is a real mustache. For anyone wondering why I did this, the reasons are simple. My brother and I began growing our hair out at about the same time, and soon after we made a pact: that when our hair grew long enough, we would cut it down to almost nothing, but first we would have mullets.

And that's exactly what we did. We also decided to play up the hillbilly look of things and make our own cut-offs. They were so short that the pockets came out the bottom leg of the shorts, but hey, that's the price you pay to look good.

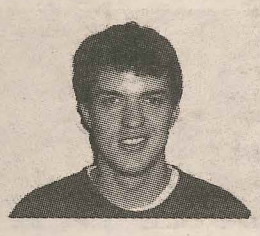
I could only stand to have that haircut for about a day because I just felt so ugly; as you can clearly see in the pictures, my feelings were dead on. The next day my brother and I got our flowing locks cut all the way off, and the dream died. But who knows what may happen next, my brother is letting his hair grow back again, and I might do the same. I do know, however, that while the spirit of our mullets live on, they probably re-located to a warmer climate for the winter.



submitted by Matt Schubbe/*Stoutonia*

Not only are the Schubbe brothers hilarious to talk to, but one beautiful summer day, they were also hilarious to look at.

Welcome to Menomonie. Watch out for this stuff



Brian Legg
Columnist

"Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me."

An average man in a high office once mangled that saying, but that's another story.

Every year that you live in Menomonie is another year that this town can, and will, weasel money out of you. Whether it's the university police department or your landlord, somebody wants your money, and they are going to get it.

Since it is impossible to single out every particular individual responsible for these whack moves, I'll just call 'em the proverbial "they."

Since this has become UW-Compaq/Apple, new laptop students have been getting forcefully ripped off. They promised a lease-to-buy deal and have since rescinded on that offer.

So if they made you get one, good luck with it. I'm sure it won't give you any technical problems, either.

Have you noticed that there are almost no free parking spots anywhere in the vicinity of campus or downtown? Hmm.

Well, once you get a parking ticket you'll see why. This isn't just the warped view of a jaded college super-senior; I've heard many visiting parents question the logic behind the lack of parking.

If you are unlucky enough to get a citation, pay it promptly or it will go from the already inflated $15 to an unheard of $25 after 48 hours.

The lack of overnight parking downtown or of a taxi service other than the beloved "Drunk Bus" is another conundrum. It's as if they want people to drive drunk.

In the four years I've been here, UW-Stout has been going through a makeover called "Sober Eye for the Drunk Guy."

While there is no problem per se about addressing drinking and its consequences, it feels like the ultimate goal is a dry campus, something none of us signed up for.

They doubled the fines for house parties to $1200, and when that had no effect, they changed the policy so that every tenant of a busted house would receive tickets instead of one for the house. They went further and threatened to give out individual tickets, and in a stunning act of piety the chancellor began sending letters of condemnation to students who received them.

"It all has sort of an Un-American Edge to it, doesn't it?"

We are all adults capable of making our own decisions and dealing with their consequences. It should be the university's goal to facilitate a learning environment where we can be free to learn from books as well as from life.

The final and perhaps most pervasive evildoer is the landlord. These scandalous business people operate in a realm basically free of regulation. Oh, there's a Menomonie Housing Authority, but they are just another realty agency in disguise.

I have seen slumlords charge the previous tenants for a bunch of repairs that never get done and then turn around and charge the next tenants for the same repairs.

I've been charged $175 by the city for excessive lawn growth which my roommates and I had paid our landlord $30 to take care of while we were home for the summer but paying rent here.

It all has sort of an Un-American Edge to it, doesn't it?

Well shame on me because I've been fooled more than once by these fools. But it's not too late for a new generation to rise up and take back this campus for those who don't want to be forced to lease laptops.

It's not too late for those who want to party responsibly and leave their cars overnight without fear of excessive citation.

It's not too late for those who want their security deposit back when they deserve it.

It's not too late to take charge of the institution and your money funds. They've already taken a mile when we never agreed to give them an inch.

Dodging dramatic dorm life

By Megan Thomas
Student Life Writer

Many people would say they are matched up pretty well with their roommates, but every once in awhile there are horror stories: the roommate that doesn't shower for weeks because they're growing dreads, or the non-stop partier that won't let their roommate sleep.

"[My roommate] and I had conflicts with sleeping habits," said Katie Adams, a junior in human development and family studies. "She was a night person and would sleep all day so I had to tiptoe around, but she would be loud all night and I ended up moving at semester time."

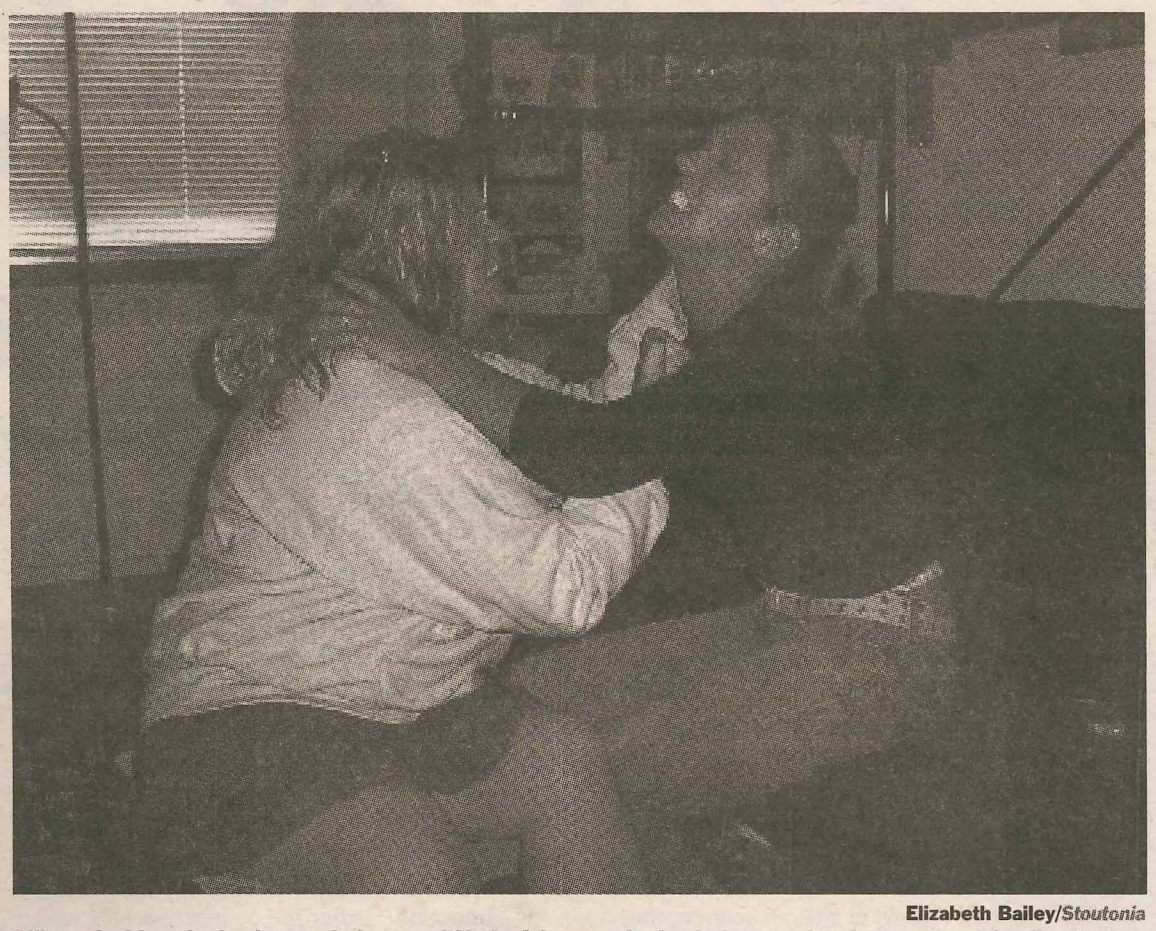
There are several solutions for those who are already having roommate issues. One idea is to visit the Housing and Residence Life Web site, http://www.uwstout.edu/housing/get_along.htm, which offers advice.

On move-in day, residents of the dorms received a roommate starter. Instead of putting the sheet aside, it is a good idea to fill it out in order to establish rules within the room. The forms can be found online.

Communication is the key to a successful living relationship.

"The biggest problem roommates have is that they don't communicate," said Martin Fritz, the assistant director of Housing and Residence Life.

If roommates are having problems and can't come to an agreement, they should speak with their Resident Advisor (RA). Fritz defines RAs as the mediator between the two roommates.



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Allison Smith, a junior in psychology and Katie Adams, a junior in human development and family studies, work out their problems on their own. Students who can't work things themselves should talk to their RA.

"My purpose as an RA is to create a comfortable living environment for all students and make sure hall policies are enforced," said Marilyn Goeden, an RA on the second floor of Fleming Hall and a senior majoring in retail merchandising management. "The hardest thing for most roommates is breaking the ice. They should try talking about similar interests they may have."

There are some issues that occur fairly often between many different sets of roommates.

"Most problems are about overnight guests staying over too often, not picking up after themselves or using the other person's stuff without asking," said Fritz. "If the problem still needs attention you should see the Hall Director."

During the first three weeks of school there is a freeze on room switches and after that changes can be easily be made. The freeze period is because of transfer students and people deciding they don't want to commute. Right now there are forty open spaces for people, but it is expected they will be filled.

Students are encouraged to work out problems on their own; however, if this is not possible, students can talk to their RA or Hall Director about making a room change at any point.

Roommate match-ups gone wrong

"My roommate's side of the room smells like sh*t, and she complains about everything. She unplugs my fan from the outlet that is on her side, but that we both use and set's it on my bed every morning after I leave. To top it off, after only the first week she asked if she could have one of her male companions 'sleep over' for the night."

-Stressed-out Sally

"My roommate broke my precious handcrafted mobile that's been passed down over generations. When I commented she said, I shouldn't have brought it with me if I was worried."

-Broken hearted Brooke

"My roommate is so messy. He leaves dirty clothes all over the room, bottles in every corner of the room and pizza boxes scattered from his nightly deliveries."

-Grossed out Gary

"My roommate is addicted to kool-aid and he is the clumsiest, laziest person I've met. And he's a bit on the feminine side. He thinks it would be a good idea to hold his printer up on his loft with duct tape and cardboard boxes."

-Tapped-up Terry

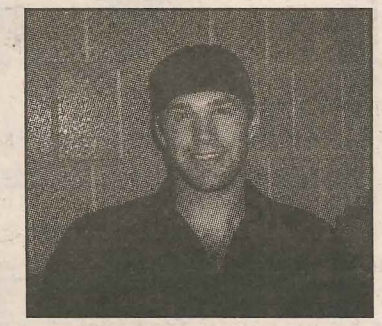
This week's question:

Bye-bye Slant?

If you would replace *Slant* with anything, what would it be?

"The trends. What's cool and what's not on campus."

Johneen Schwab
Junior, marketing and business education

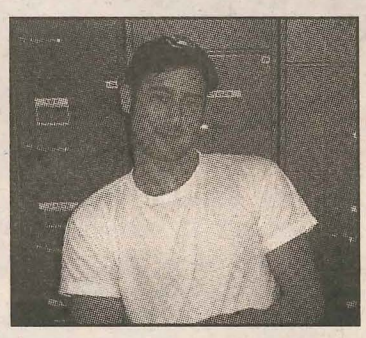


"More serious questions to get a feel for the Stout population."

Ryan Anderson
Junior, business

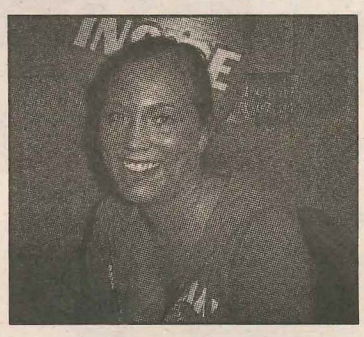
"I think it's cute. I like it how it is."

Norah Knudsen
Sophomore, vocational rehabilitation



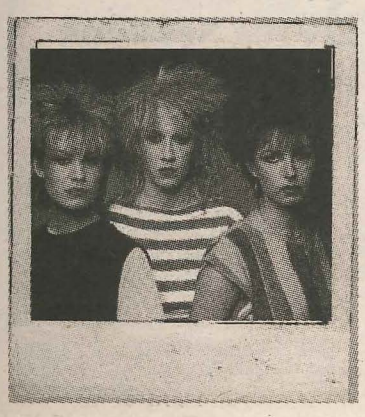
"Dirty Pictures."

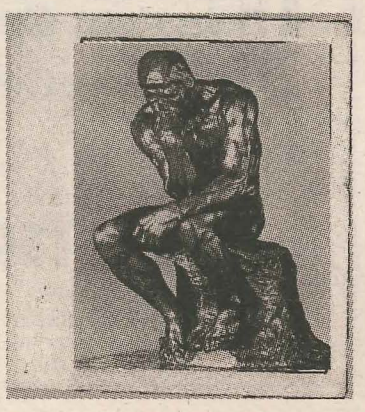
Luke Heiar
senior, engineering technology

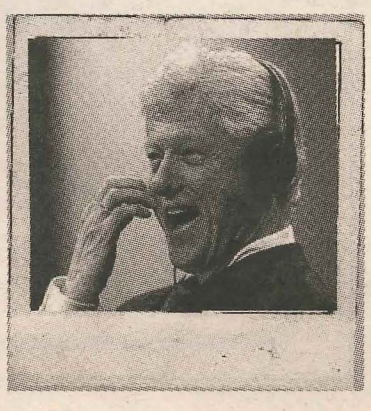


"I think it's the funniest part of the paper, I wouldn't change it."

Angie Karker
Senior, retail merchandising







Dependable Internet exploration

By Marta Peters
Student Life Writer

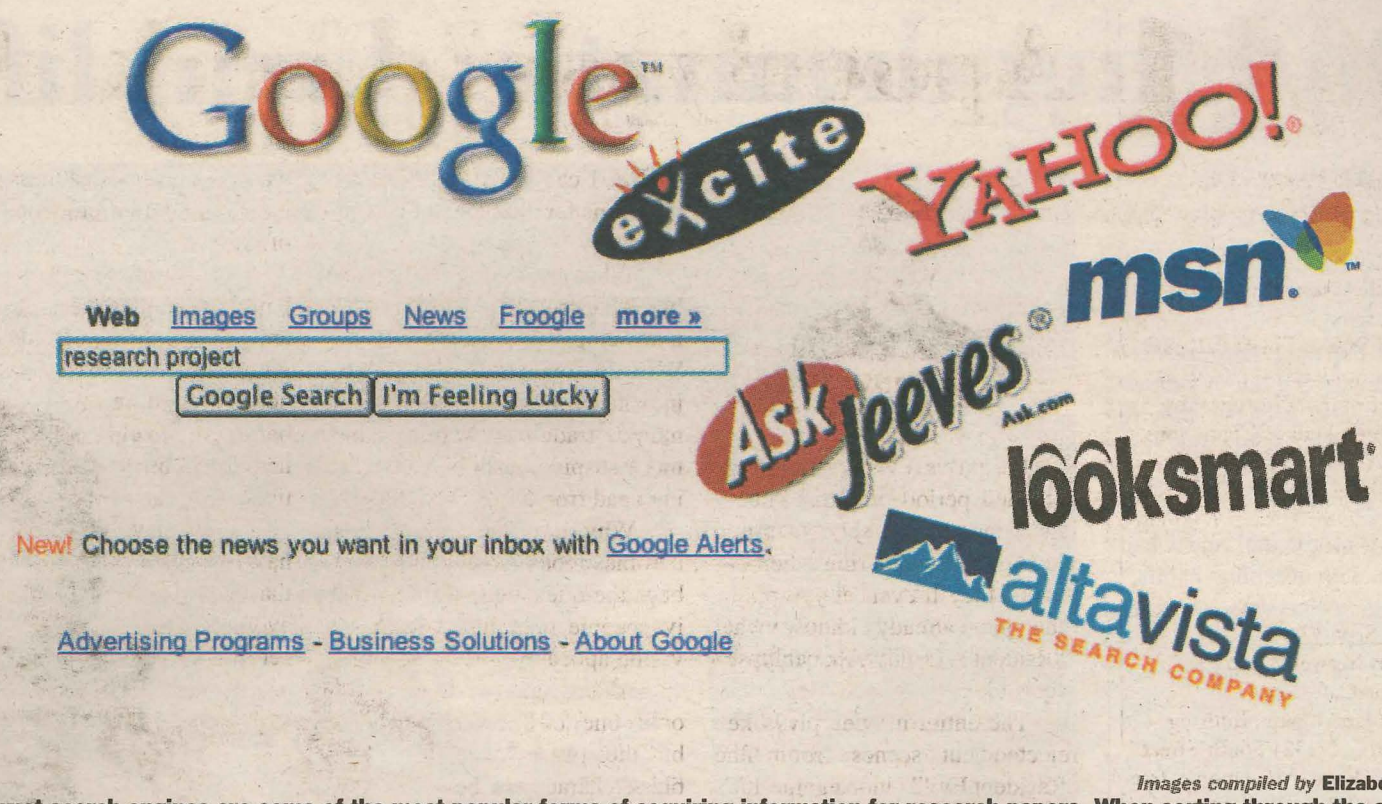
It's that time of year again when school is in full swing and academic research is just around the corner. Yet, with so many options for obtaining informational resources, it can often be overwhelming for a student to know where to begin when a project is assigned.

So where does one begin? For starters, the World Wide Web is always a helpful resource. Given the convenience and the reliability that can be available through search engines such as Yahoo!, Microsoft Network and Google, the Internet is one of the most popular forms of research.

"Google is a great place to start," said Forrest Schultz, professor and chair of chemistry. "This engine consistently and quickly returns quality hits. It also offers excellent imaging searches."

Search engines work by sorting through all of the information on the Web, looking at page titles and body content after the user has typed in keywords. Because so much is contained on the Web, the trick to receiving good information lies within how specific the keywords are.

For that reason, it is a good idea to examine the kind of Web sites that appear from a search. Reliable resources can often be denoted by the suffix of the domain name. Sites that use a suffix of .org, .edu or .gov, are sites that will most likely, but not always, offer more reliable information or content than other sites.



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Internet search engines are some of the most popular forms of acquiring information for research papers. When sorting through the sites that search engines provide, make sure that the site provides factual information, is unbiased and that the information has been recently updated.

"Focus on reputable sources from professional organizations and publications," said Schultz.

Gindy Neidermyer, program director of apparel design and development also cautions students to look closely at sites that come up when running a search through the Internet.

"The most important thing that students need to look out for when researching on the Internet is that the work has been cross-referenced," said Neidermyer. "More often than not, students will find a Web site that contains information that is completely one sided."

Similar to any form of research, it is also important that the citation of the information that is found on the Internet is done correctly.

"Copyright and plagiarism are two very important issues concerning use of Internet information and images," said Dr. Sheri Klein, professor of art education.

An excellent resource on these issues, and how to use Internet information properly may be found on www.uwstout.edu/lib/copyright.

Other factors that must be considered when gathering content via the Internet include whether it derives from good research by the authors of the Web site, distinguishing whether it is fact or personal opinion and how recently the content has been updated.

Good research doesn't stop after the completion of a well-done investigation. It's what the student does with the information provided that can allow an assignment to be finished in good measure.

Students should remember to "not copy and paste only, but to actually understand the information and how it relates," said Adam Wells, assistant professor of industrial design.

What may be the best way to accomplish good results is to combine an Internet search with another investigation from a library or from a person who is knowledgeable in the specific topic needed.

For example, instructors can often give beneficial information that stems from personal experience, and often times they will know of certain Web sites that are not only reliable, but used for their own teaching and professional purposes as well.

"The Internet is a good place," said Schultz. "The key is to use the appropriate resources, not the most convenient."

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>**Giant Public Thrift Sale,** 817 S. Broadway, room 146, 4-7 p.m.
>**Scott Savage, Photography Slideshow,** Hall of Champions, Fitness Center, 7 p.m.
>**Dudley Markham & Friends,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $6
>**Kate Maury,** Furlong Gallery, through Sept. 30.

Friday, Sept. 17
>**Jeremy Serwel,** 8 p.m., Acoustic Café, free.
>**Open Jam,** 8 p.m., Bullfrog Fish Farm, N1321 566th Street Bullfrog Road, Menomonie, free.
>**National Pony Pull,** Dunn County Rec. Park, free.

Saturday, Sept. 18
>**Minnesota Renaissance Festival,** 9:30 a.m. bus departure, front of MSC, $20 paid at 421 Bowman Hall.
>**Jeff Ray,** 8 p.m., Acoustic Café, free.

Sunday, Sept. 19
No Events Scheduled

Monday, Sept. 20
>**Fall Play Auditions,** Harvey Hall Theater, 6:30 p.m.
>**Healthy Organization Check-Ups,** MSC, questions: contact Mary McManus.

Tuesday, Sept. 21
>**Fall Play Auditions,** Harvey Hall Theater, 6:30 p.m.
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Wednesday, Sept. 22
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Apocalypse? Check elsewhere.

Kyle Kingston
Columnist

If you've ever sat for any extended period of time watching friends play a shoot-'em-up video game, wondering when or even if they'll ever let you play, then you already know what "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" feels like.

The entire movie plays like rejected cut scenes from the "Resident Evil" video games. It's predictable, gory, garish, badly acted and contains some of the worst editing this side of MTV.

You know the saying that if you give monkeys typewriters and enough time, they'll eventually turn out the works of Shakespeare? For this movie, I'd say it took four chimps, some crayons and three hours.

"Apocalypse" begins with as little preamble as possible, showing with the broadest possible strokes an idyllic town designed with 50s sensibilities plunged into the depths of hellishness when a virus is unleashed by the evil Umbrella Corporation, turning the town's citizenry into the walking dead.

Hoping we won't notice, the director turns Raccoon City (great choice for a city's name, I must say) from a small town with neatly trimmed lawns into, well, New York City, complete with labyrinthine alleys and cathedrals. This annoyed me until I realized that it was only a minor quibble for a deeply flawed film.

Before I got bored and started contemplating the meaning of life, I came up with a list of questions for the creator's of this movie.

What exactly does the Umbrella Corporation do when it's not being pointlessly sinister? Why do some zombies stumble in the time-honored zombie movie tradition while others move suspiciously like the walking dead from "28 Days Later"?

Why do the movie's two heroines look so similar? Which begs the question, are unattractive people precluded from surviving apocalypse?

Also, am I th only one offended by the two token black characters being, respectively, zombie fodder and comic relief (though the latter does get the movie's better lines)?

What about the scene where the priest is feeding people to his "sick" sister? What the heck gives? Is this supposed to be a commentary on religion? If so, congratulations on the tackiest display of pretension I've ever witnessed.

Oh, and my personal favorite: Why would zombie hunters take a short cut through a cemetery? Does the director take us for morons?

Who is going to see this and think: "I don't believe it! Decayed hands shooting up from the earth! What a shock!" Indeed, who would have thought that a virus reanimating dead matter would have an effect on a place containing nothing but corpses? When I saw this scene I wished I'd bought popcorn so I could have chucked it at the screen.

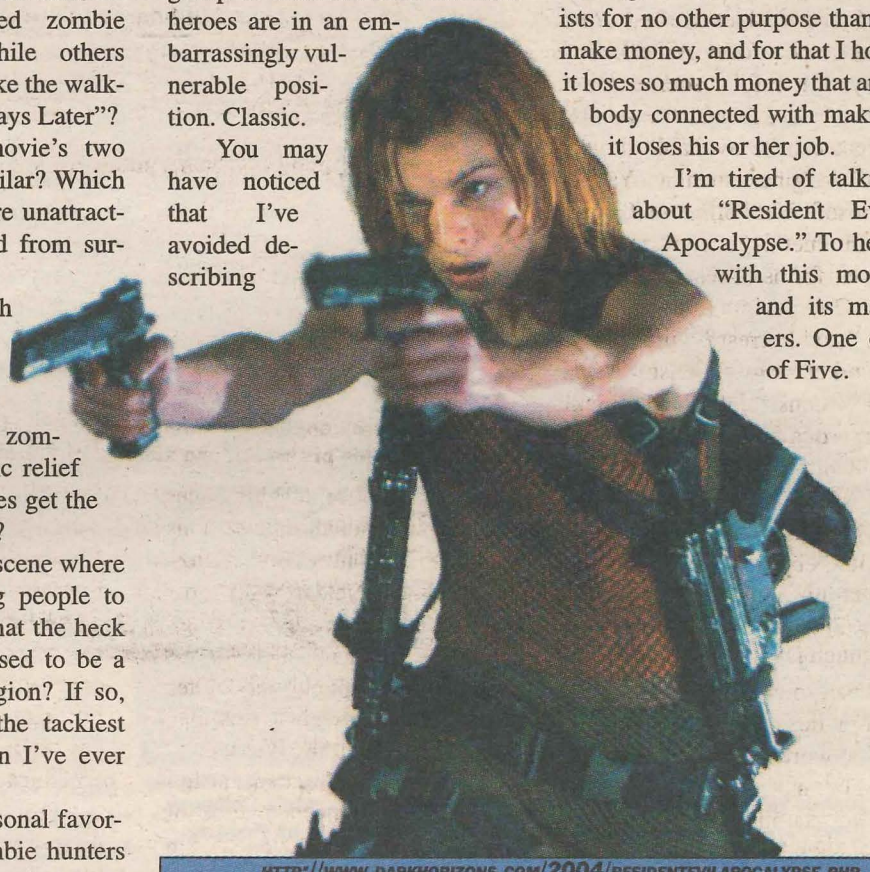
It was at this point in the movie when it occurred to me that the zombies actually have more personality than the main characters. I'm serious; these walking corpses, deadness aside, have a certain mischievous sense of humor.

Think about it; They could have come out of their graves at any time, but they decided as a group to wait until the movie's heroes are in an embarrassingly vulnerable position. Classic.

You may have noticed that I've avoided describing the movie's plot in this review.

This isn't because I'm afraid of spoiling the movie, as I'm sure you've guessed. It's because the movie has no plot. No surprises. In fact, it contains nothing to redeem itself. It exists for no other purpose than to make money, and for that I hope it loses so much money that anybody connected with making it loses his or her job.

I'm tired of talking about "Resident Evil: Apocalypse." To heck with this movie and its makers. One out of Five.



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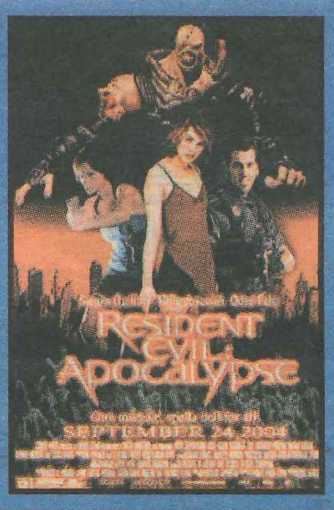

CRITIC'S CORNER

"I wished I'd bought popcorn so I could have chucked it at the screen."
-Kyle Kingston

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Gallery displays brassieres and bacon

By Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

Art is in the air in Micheels Hall. Recently the Furlong Gallery showcased the artwork of Anna Kettlewell and Clive Burton of The London Group.

The show, titled "Works on Paper", is sure to be turning heads all around campus.

"Through a combination of photography, drawing and painting, I construct images that represent a fictive reality – pictorial dislocations," said Kettlewel in her artist's statement.

An interesting piece of work that well reflects her artist statement is one of her larger works entitled "Untitled #1."

Kettlewell incorporates many different elements within her work. The most notable of these is her heavy use of line and the incorporation of photographic elements.

She uses these to construct her "fictive reality." Through the inclusion of the photos, the almost random line work begins to congeal into an entity resembling a landscape of sorts.

This almost seems silly to some, but just look a little closer.

The figures themselves (taken from everyday life) cause this transformation. This occurs because of the unexceptional way in which the artist presents the figures in her work.

The photos of people engaging in everyday activities, thus the normalcy of the figures lends said quality to the space in which they have been placed. The figures themselves are even unaware of the manner in which they influence their environment.

Why is this important? This question is best answered with another.

Does anyone truly understand how they influence their own environment? Or how they create meaning in the chaos around themselves? Perhaps these works are an avatar of our lives.

Clint Burton is the second artist whose art is being showcased in the gallery.

"Within the broad field of sculpture, installation and tableaux, my work encompasses both mixed media and material process," said Burton in his artist's statement.

The work in question for this artist is titled "Bringing Home the Bacon."

Burton combines a level, a shell brassiere and some plastic bacon all onto a rather non-descript charcoaled background.

Seeing all these together on the wall tends to draw wry little smile on from passers by. Then again, anytime a piece of feminine negligee out of context is put on a wall, smiles seem to be easier to come by.

All clues--the level, brassiere, bacon-- point to a statement about women in the work place.

Generally speaking, anytime objects seem to be the center of the attention of a work, but the work does not seem to be about them, a meaning can be derived from socially common ideas about the objects.

The two artists both have their good and bad sides, but when all is said and done, Kettlewell's work outshadows Burton and tends to be more enjoyable in general. Even the brassieres and bacon could not beat Kettlewell's fictive reality.

For those who wish to see these unique and original works of art, the Furlong Gallery is located on the first floor of Micheels Hall in front of the double staircase. The show is free and runs until Sept. 30.

Rocking in Wilson Park for Jesus

By Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

The bumping tunes of about half a dozen bands came from the corner of Wilson and 8th on Saturday, Sept. 11, 2004. And they were all rocking out for the same purpose – God.

The concert, Yeshupalooza, lasted from noon until 10:30 p.m., so Menomonie residents (and anyone else that wanted to rock out at this free concert) were treated with entertainment as each band played a set that lasted a couple hours.

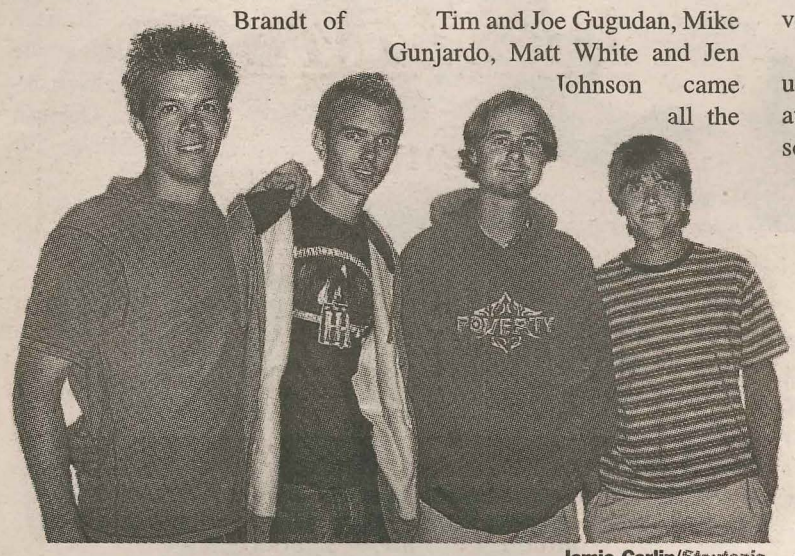
Bands included in this Jesus rock concert included Erik Brandt of Urban Hillbilly Quartet, The Roosevelts, Leper, Poverty, and Dumpstar.

Street Level Ministries and the radio station 101.7 Jesus Rock put on the concert and broadcast it all day long. The entire purpose of this event was to raise donation money to send with missionaries to India, in order to assist and teach people.

"It's cool to get out and reach to the people with the love of Jesus," said Colleen Hardere, a Winona State senior.

Menomonie residents were not the only ones who enjoyed this concert.

Tim and Joe Gugudan, Mike Gunjardo, Matt White and Jen Johnson came all the way from their hometown of Chicago (also home for the members of Dumpstar) to see their friends play.



Jamie Carlin/*Stoutonia*
Joshua Neumann (vocals), Lance Moe (lead guitar), Matt Calleway (bass) and Matthew Davis (drums), otherwise known as Poverty, pose for a quick picture.

"Dumpstar ROCKS!" said Joe Gududan, a University of Minnesota freshman. "We're here and we're rocking out for God!"

The crowd at this concert was a little different than most rock concerts. All around the park, there were small children to be seen running around and dancing merrily to the music. Quite a few elderly couples could be seen sitting and soaking up the next generation's version of praise.

Of course, there was the usual teenage crowd to be seen at most any concert, both high school and college students head banging and swaying to the melodic tunes of worship coming from the large speakers.

"The people are crazy!" said Jacob Brock of Eau Claire Technical College. "It's awesome."

Brock was attending the event to watch friends in the band Poverty.

Carrie O'Gara of Street Level Ministries said, "I think there is something real behind it. God is here."

Members of the band Poverty agree. The talented rock group consists of four band members – Josh Neumann (lead vocalist), Lance Moe (lead guitar), Matt Callaway (bass) and Matthew Davis (drums). In Menomonie alone, this rising band played at Yeshupolooza last year, performed at the local Blind Munchies Café twice and played at an event that Campus Crusade put on four years ago.

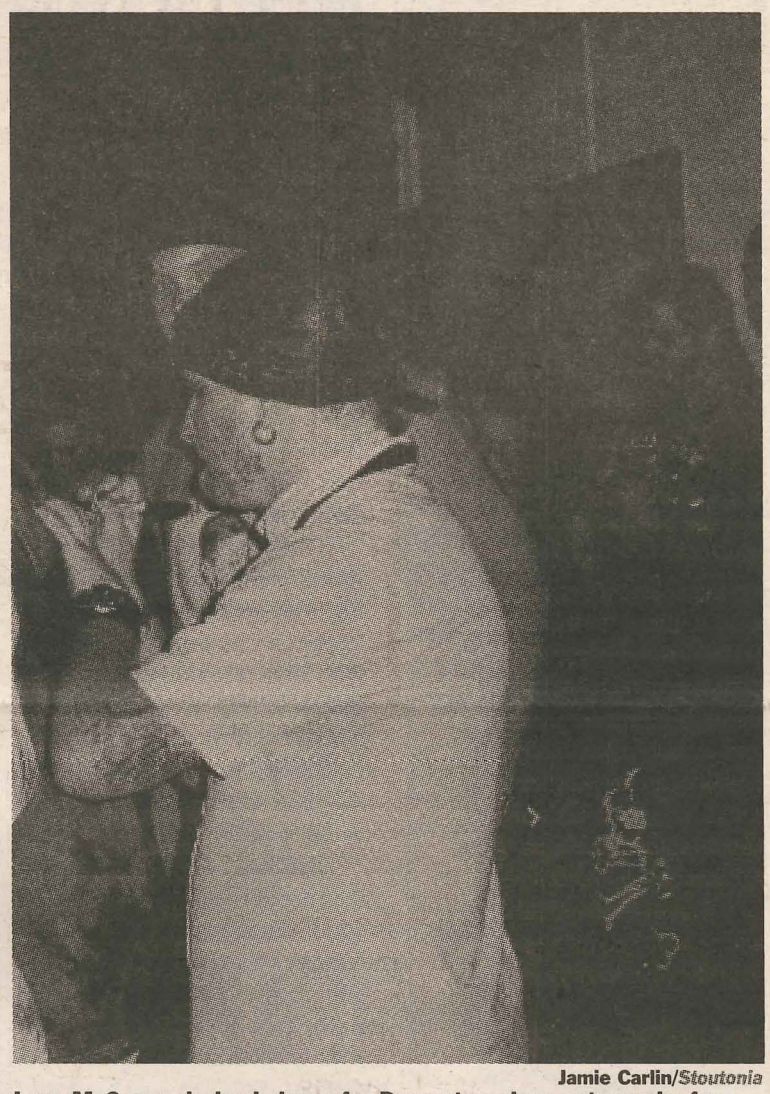
They love making music that people enjoy to hear, as well as sending the message of Christ.

"We are here to give God all of the glory and to tell our story," said Neumann.

Interacting with the crowd, they invited audience members to come up on stage and teach the crowd how to head-bang, as well as throw free copies of their CDs to the people in the audience.

The night closed with speaker Mark Johnson of Steiger International and worship lead by Poverty.

"This concert had a positive feel to it," said Alyse Joswiak, University of Wisconsin-Stout freshman majoring in food systems and technology.



Jamie Carlin/*Stoutonia*
Jerry McCormack, lead singer for Dumpstar, signs autographs for fans. Fellow bandmates Mark Ditmars, Joshua McCormack, and Mike Ryan follow suit in the background.

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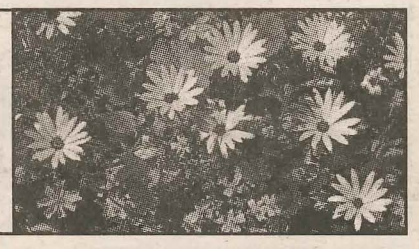

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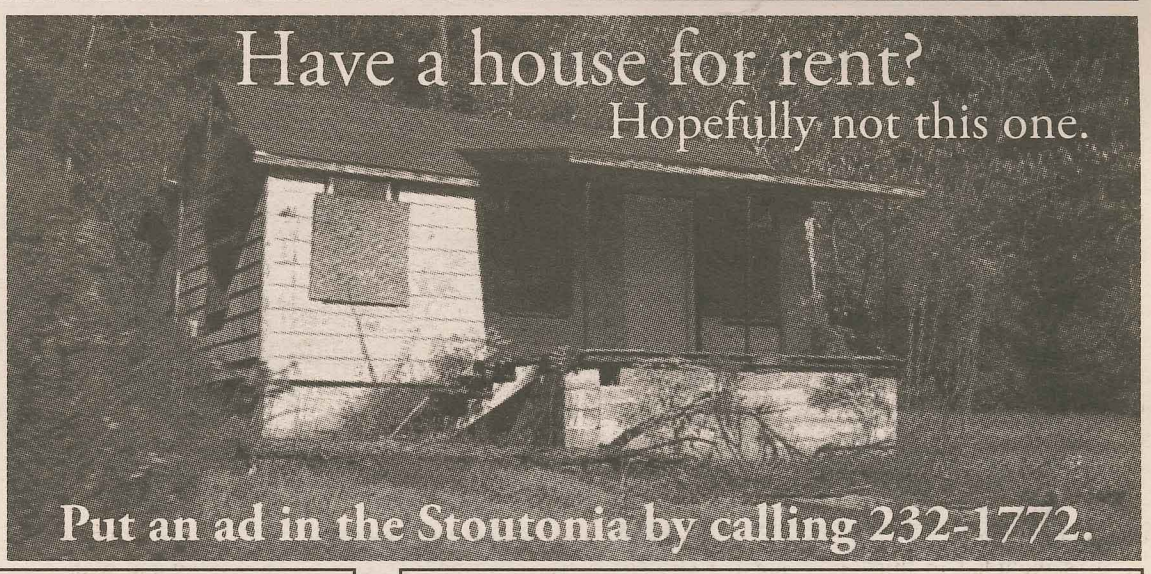

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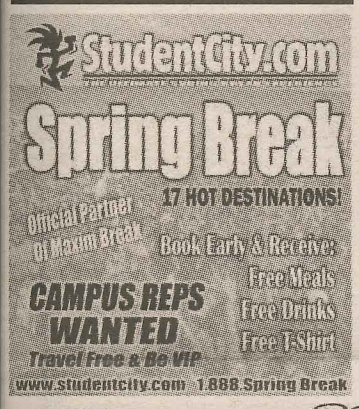

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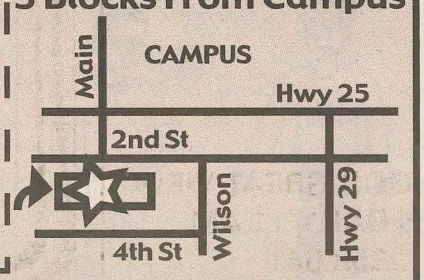

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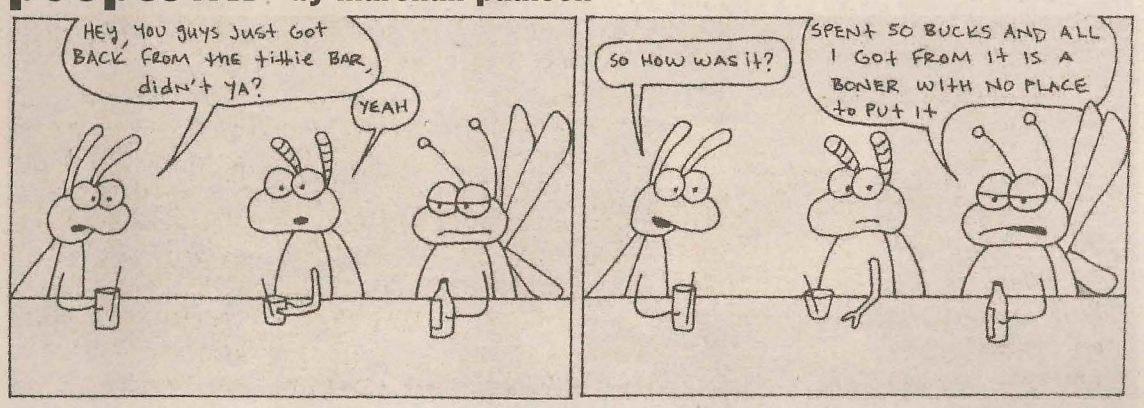

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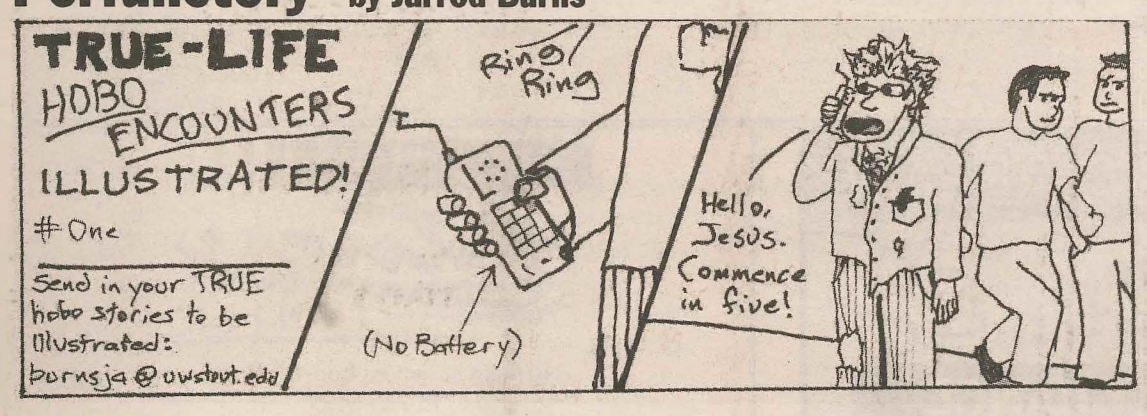

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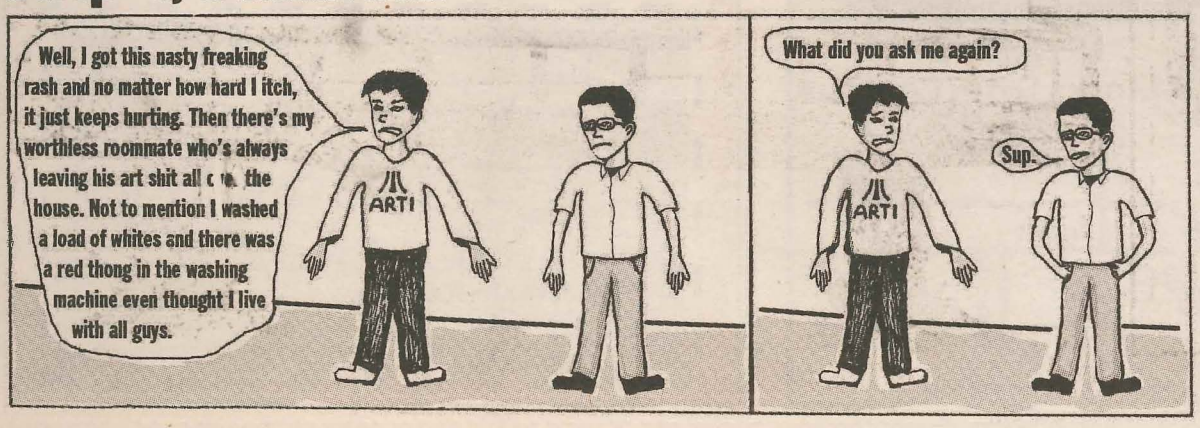

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Test NFL smarts with weekly quiz

Curt Trnka
Columnist

Let's take a quick walk through week one in the NFL.

The Monday Night Football rematch of the Packers vs. Panthers was interesting because:

A. The opening song somehow found a way to get more annoying.

B. Sooner or later Al Michaels will not be able to control his urge to choke John Madden.

C. You're a Carolina Panthers fan stuck in rural Wisconsin. Ouch.

D. You are the President of the Bhawoh Jue Fan Club.

If you watched the game between the Chicago Bears and the Detroit Lions you were:

A. Pleasantly surprised that it was a good game.

B. Shocked to see a black man named Lovie coaching the Bears.

C. Worried for the Packers and Vikings because the Bears and Lions have improved themselves.

D. All of the above.

While watching the Minnesota Vikings and Dallas Cowboys you were thinking:

A. Did the Cowboys forget when the regular season started?

B. Is the Vikings team really so good that they can dismantle the Dallas defense?

C. Does my favorite team get to play the Cowboys?

D. Holy crap! I think I just saw Randy Moss throw a block on somebody.

While watching highlights from Sunday's Eagles vs. Giants game, _____ caught your eye.

A. Terrell Owens' massive biceps.

B. Kurt Warner's age.

C. Andy Reid not eating on the sideline.

D. Eli Manning getting hit so hard you swore you heard him whine to his dad.

During the Kansas City Cheifs vs. Denver Broncos game you were shocked by:

A. The number of times running backs scored touchdowns.

B. How well Pat Summeral hid his age.

C. The officials' inability to get the teams off the field for halftime.

D. Dick Vermeil looked like he knew what he was doing.

The Pittsburg Steelers vs. the Oakland Raiders was fun to watch because:

A. Bears vs. Lions was at commercial.

B. You have Tommy Maddox as your QB on your Fantasy Football team.

C. Five carries, one total yard, and three touchdowns later, you love the Bus.

D. Norv Turner can't seem to shake that look of utter confusion.

Highlights from the Atlanta Falcons vs. the San Fransisco 49ers were interesting because:

A. You were unaware a pro football player was named Alge Crumpler.

B. Michael Vick didn't get hurt.

C. You just got to cheer for Ken Dorsey.

D. Whatever was on MTV wasn't cool.

So concludes this week's NFL Quiz. Answers can be found online at www.thereareno-answersonline.com

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Nick Ohman
Football

Quarterback Nick Ohman led the Blue Devils to a 23-0 victory over DePauw University on Saturday, Sept. 11 in Iowa.

Ohman picked up 116 yards on the ground and completed 23 of 30 passes. His passing totaled 216 yards and he led UW-Stout to 416 yards of total offense.

The Blue Devils and Ohman produced two scoring drives over 90 yards and had two more scoring drives of 49 yards and 54 yards.

Ohman ran for two touchdowns and threw another.

His efforts not only earned him WIAC player of the week honor.

Also Ohman's performance, landed the Blue Devils the Don Hansen National Weekly Football Gazette Team of the Week.

The Facts:
senior
Glenwood City, Wis.
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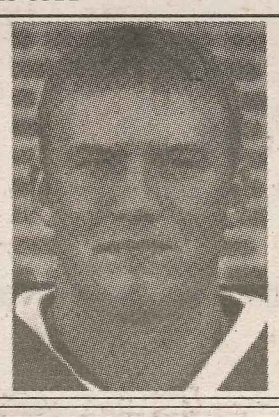
Led UW-Stout to a 23-0 victory and earned WIAC player of the week and national honors



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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football

The football team won 23-0 at DePauw University on Sept. 11

Next Game:
Sept. 25
hosting Oshkosh

Cross Country

The cross country team will open the season on Sept. 18 at the St. Olaf Invitational.

Tennis

The Blue Devils were defeated by St. Scholastica.

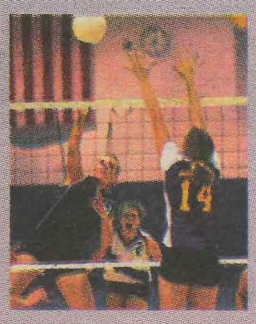
Next Match:
Sept. 17
hosting Eau Claire

Soccer

The soccer team defeated Maranatha Baptist, 7-0,
Next match:
Sept. 17 at
Whitewater

Volleyball

The volleyball team defeated Eau Claire 3-0
Next Game:
Sept 17 hosting
La Crosse



Stout girls cause a racquet

By Wes Simonis
Sports Editor

With a large group of dedicated players returning to the lineup, the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's tennis team hopes to get the ball rolling when the team opens conference play this weekend hosting University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Led by senior Tina Rodin, the team is looking to improve on it's seventh place conference finish from last season.

The Blue Devils hope to move up three or four spots with help from two returning juniors and five sophomores. A large number of freshmen have also picked up tennis this season.

"Tina is a leader by example," said head coach Mark Noll. "She is setting the pace for a dominant group of freshmen and sophomores."

Rodin finished fifth at the WIAC championships last season and hopes to finish strong her senior year.

"Every match that I play this season I want to finish feeling that I gave 110 percent," said Rodin. "This is my senior year, so I want to make sure that I end it with no regrets."

Nicole Hayek is another top player looking to get on track this season. Hayek played the number one spot last fall but suffered a back injury forcing her to miss the second half of the season.

"Our goal this season is to place higher at the conference tournament," said Hayek. "The girls are all excited to be back, start the conference matches and hopefully turn a few unsuspecting heads."

Coming off a fifth place finish at conference last season, sophomore Jenna Bettmann has made a lot of progress with the Blue Devils. From not even being a varsity player, Bettmann worked her way to number four spot last fall.

By the spring season, Bettmann was playing the number one and two spots.

"For this season, I would like to work as hard as possible and have fun doing it," said Bettmann. "It doesn't matter how many matches we win, as long as we are always putting into each match as much as we can."

UW-Stout will have to face the toughest competition early in conference action.

The Blue Devils open the conference season with matches against two of the top three teams in the WIAC. The team hopes to steal a win from UW-Eau Claire this Friday.

The Blugolds, who have been WIAC champions 10 of the last 11 years, are coming off a tough loss to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

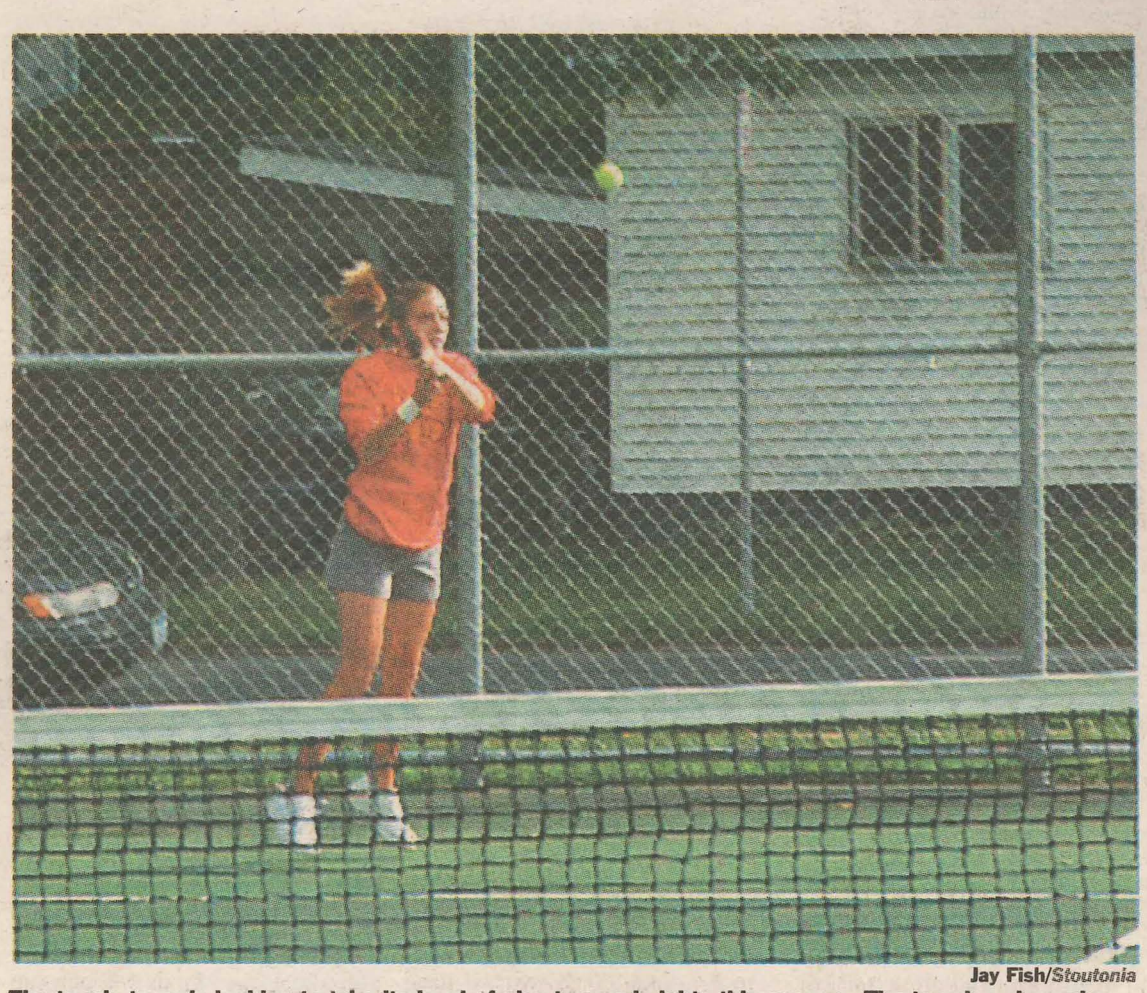
"We know we are the underdog in most matches," said Noll. "I want the girls to play their game and not overfocus."

Noll enters his second year as the Blue Devil's head coach and he has worked during the off-season to get a larger roster.

"Last season our girls had 14 wins in matches," said Noll. "We only had three matches this season and we already tied that number."

Noll is looking for his team to have more chances to win by raising the schedule to 15 matches this season for the Blue Devils and has increased the number of home games among those matches.

"This team keeps getting better," said Noll. "With our youth and talent, the best is yet to come for our team."



Jay Fish/*Stoutonia*

The tennis team is looking to take its level of play to new heights this season. The team's only senior, Tina Rodin, will be a leader all season long for the Blue Devils.

Offseason work boosts cross country

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

When the leaves are starting to change and the weather gets cooler, it means its time for the University of Wisconsin-Stout to unleash the cross country team.

The team has been prepping this summer and is anxious for the upcoming season.

"We have one of the stronger cross-country teams that UW-Stout has had in quite a while," said senior Ryan Chernik. "It should be a good season."

With 15 new freshmen and only four seniors on the men's team, UW-Stout looks forward to having a lot of potential that could help the team out.

"All the guys have the potential to be in the spotlight," said men's head coach Josh Bucholtz. "The battle for the top runner could always be changing."

Throughout the course of the summer, the whole cross country team has worked hard to not only stay in shape, but to get beyond the shape they were in last season. The team focused on indoor and outdoor running and was in the weight room as well.

The women's team, who moved up two spots in the conference, has worked on getting speed up and times down. Veteran Kersten Wilson has been working on personal and team goals in the off season.

"I can feel my speed progress from training over the years," said Wilson. "I hope my body and mind can work together on that."

With varstiy spots still in question, the Blue Devil women will not only race opponents, but each other, to find a spot in the top five.

"Many of our girls have been training since the beginning of the summer, which is why some of our times have dropped so much already," said Wilson. "We have a schedule to follow that's set up a certain way to help our times get faster throughout the season and this is key to our improvement."

With a mix of aerobic and anaerobic training, the cross country team will be looking to stick with the other teams in the WIAC.

Both teams open the season this Saturday at the St. Olaf University Invitational.

Each team member will have to give it their all to win the WIAC which is the main goal every season.

If anyone is still interested in joining the cross country team it's not too late to contact men's coach Josh Bucholtz or women's coach Joe Harlan.

Photo Courtesy Sports Information

The men's and women's cross country teams begin their season this Saturday at the St. Olaf Invitational.

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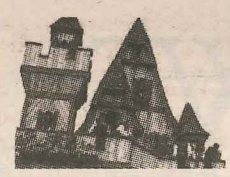

Final week of Renaissance Fair

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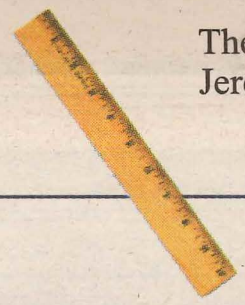

The Legend of Ron Jeremy measures up

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Driving students to register as voters

Tim Krueger/Stoutonia

Greg Carey, New Voters Project campus organizer for UW-Stout, stands ready to sign up new voters and educate them on where they can vote in Menomonie.

By Tim Krueger
Stoutonia News Editor

The drive to increase voter turnout is greater than ever this election. Low voter turnout has always been an issue in the United States, as only 52 percent of the population voted in the 2000 election.

This turnout ratio leaves many people's opinions without voice in the government.

While this number seems low, the turnout for 18 to 24-year-old citizens was an even lower 36 percent in the 2000 election, yet 70 percent of senior citizens voted.

College students often feel alienated from the representatives that we have in government, especially those at the highest rungs of power such as the president.

Due to this alienated feeling, the largest drive to increase voter turnout in history is being implemented this year in order to give our group more voice in government.

"Right now politicians have no reason to care about issues that affect young people because young people [historically] do not vote," said Greg Carey, campus organizer for the University of Wisconsin–Stout, representing the New Voters Project.

"We are going to change that," said Carey.

New Voters Project is a non-partisan effort to increase the voter turnout amongst eligible young voters. The New Voters Project will be represented on campus through the election in order to accomplish their goal of registering 2,300 voters at UW-Stout.

Statewide, the New Voters Project has a goal of registering 95,000 new voters, but has already topped that goal with 100,000 new voters registered.

In 1972, voter turnout amongst 18 to 24-year-old citizens topped out at a 50 percent turnout, and the goal of the New Voters Project is to beat that number.

"We are going to have tables set up all around campus," said Carey.

The New Voters Project is funded by state Public Interest Research Groups and the Pew Charitable Trust. It works directly with Kevin Kennedy, Director of Wisconsin State Election Board to register voters.

Wisconsin is one of six states that are being concentrated on because of the slim margin that a particular state was won in 2000. Wisconsin was decided by 5,708 votes in the 2000 election, giving the state to Al Gore.

Students who wish to register to vote can do so at the SOC desk anytime until Oct. 15. All a student needs for registering is valid ID and proof of address in Menomonie.

Next week will be the Voter Registration Blitz for the New Voters Project. They will be actively seeking to register voters at many key places around the campus where students congregate or travel.

With the efforts to increase turnout amongst young populations, deciding power could easily be in the hands of the new voters.

In combination with the New Voters Project, MTV's Rock the Vote will be making a campus stop at UW-Stout on Oct. 12.

MTV seeks to use its popular position amongst younger populations to get them to come out and register to vote.

New Voters Project will be handling most of the voter registrations for MTV during the stop at UW-Stout, while MTV

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North campus building on schedule

New dorm will be ready to open in the fall of 2005

By Tim Krueger
Stoutonia News Editor

Last spring, construction began on a group of new dorms for North Campus. The new dorms are intended to provide students with a variety of living options, as well as attract new students.

The structure is currently rising, with heavy equipment working to get the job done on schedule. The new dorm is projected to be ready for occupation by next fall.

Students living on North Campus have voiced concern that the noise from the construction might interfere with their study or sleep habits.

"It sometimes wakes us up in the mornings," said Jill Felska, a freshman in apparel design. Felska lives directly across from the construction in Wigen Hall.

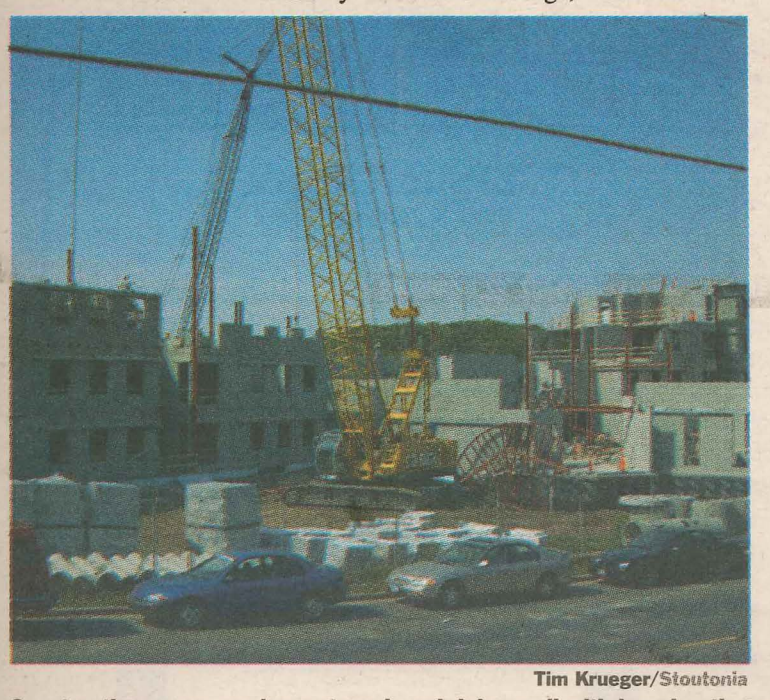
"We are kind of used to it," said Felska. "Much of it is done by 4 p.m. or 5 p.m."

Menomonie city ordinances prohibit excessive noise; however, the ordinance states that it only prohibits excessive noise "as judged by responding officer."

"It was really bad this summer when they were hammering, and there were trucks all over the road," said Jeremy Lovelace, a senior in general business administration. Lovelace lives adjacent to the construction in an off-campus house.

Most students are not overly concerned with the noise levels, although they do say that they can hear the construction from North Campus dorms.

"Right now we are on schedule," said Scott Griesbach, director of housing and residence life. Griesbach credited the good summer weather, along with good decisions from those involved in keeping the project on schedule.



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Construction crews are busy at work and doing well with keeping the new dorm construction right on schedule.

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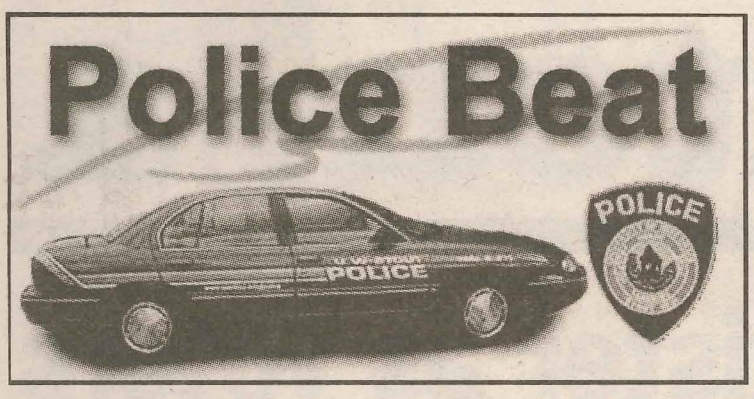

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Sept. 14 to Sept 21.
Underage drinking, first offense: 6. Disorderly conduct: 1

Remove thumb from bagel
A police officer responded to a call from Tainter Food Service on Sept. 15 regarding an injured student employee. The employee was using a knife to cut a bagel and accidentally cut her thumb. She was transported to the Red Cedar Medical Center for treatment.

Driving rental cars
On Sept. 15, a traffic accident was reported in UW-Stout Parking Lot 4. A state owned vehicle struck a parked car in the parking lot and damaged the driver's side mirror. The mirror fixture holding it to the door was damaged and the mirror hangs from the door. The mirror casing also has scratches on it. The damaged car belongs to a UW-Stout student; this student was contacted by police.

Firecracker phantom
A student reported to police on Sept. 21 that he observed three males setting off firecrackers at the entrance of JTC Hall. The student saw two of the males go into JTC and found that they went into rooms 302 and 319. Police attempted to contact the residents of these rooms, and no one answered the door. The third male involved departed in a silver car and was not found.

News for the College Attention Span

Ben Monte-Auburn Lancaster, 81, formerly Wolfram E. Niessen who taught at University of Wisconsin-Stout, died Tuesday, Sept. 14 at his home in Wheeler. He was known for his sculpture and portrait making. The portrait heads of William "Bud" Micheels and John Furlong, in the Furlong Collection and the sports sculpture on Johnson Fieldhouse are examples of his public sculpture work that he did for the UW-Stout campus while employed here. After leaving UW-Stout in the early 1970s, he taught sculpture and art history at Northern Michigan University until his retirement. Survivors include his ex-wife, Joyce Niessen of Marquette, Mich.; three sons, Marcus Niessen of Liverpool, N.Y., Gordon Niessen of Katy, Texas, and Clifford Niessen of Manassas, Va.; his stepmother, Ursula Steinhofer of Neustadt, Germany; four siblings; and five grandchildren. There were no services. Those wishing to honor his memory with a memorial are invited to plant a tree in his name.

The Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault has partnered with the UW system and private colleges to tackle the problem of continued sexual violence on campus. The first conference on the subject will be held at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center in Stevens Point on Sept. 29 and 30.

UW-Stout has recieved a federal Title III Part A grant to start a program to improve retention and graduation rates. This grant will provide $1.75 million and implement a system for researching student learning outcomes. The grant is intended to fund the program over five years. "This grant will provide UW-Stout with resources to expand advisement, orientation and career planning services for all students," said Julie Furst-Bowe, the assistant chancellor of assessment and continuous improvement in a press release.

Black-Eyed Snakes will perform at 8 p.m., Thursday, Oct., 14 in Huffs. The trio consists of two guitarists and one drummer who play a punk-blues mix. The event is sponsored by Blue Devil Productions and admission is free.

The 26th annual career conference is planned for Oct. 6 and 7, in UW-Stout's Memorial Student Center. More than 200 employers will attend the two day conference to find potential new employees within the student body. Oct. 6 will be for students in applied math, computer science, art, engineering technology, general business administration, graphic communications management, manufacturing engineering, packaging, technical communication and telecommunication systems. Students in any other program will be able to attend on Oct. 7.

United Airlines flight 919 from London to Washington D.C. was diverted to Maine after a passenger screening system found Yusuf Islam, formerly known as performer Cat Stevens, aboard the flight. Islam, a British citizen, was denied entrance to the U.S. and will be on the next available flight back to London.

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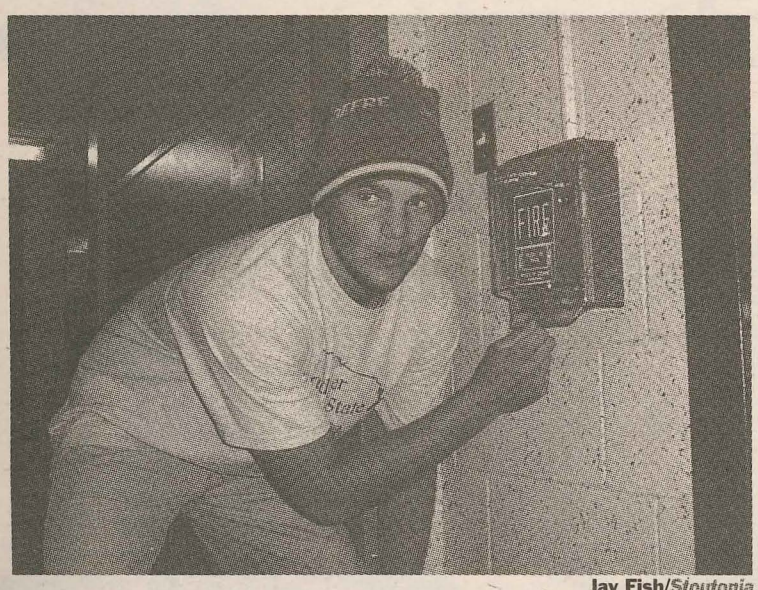
Fire alarms plague student housing



Jay Fish/*Stoutonia*

Students sometimes make mistakes and inadvertantly set off alarms

By Charlene Muller
News Writer

On Wednesday, Sept. 9, around 1:00 a.m., HKMC residents were awakened to an all too familiar noise.

However, this time the fire alarm was for real. In the basement of the HKMC residence hall, a pizza pocket was cooked until it ignited in a microwave, thus setting off the fire alarms throughout the building.

The Resident Assistants (RA) on duty were first to respond to the alarm. The RA working the front desk at the time of the alarm called the fire department, while other RAs ushered residents 250 feet away from the building.

After being ushered outside, onlookers were treated to an array of fire trucks, squad cars and volunteer fire fighters hurrying to the scene. Over a span of 45 minutes residents watched and waited until they were let back into the building.

"I was pissed because I was cold and really tired," said Maren Anderson, a freshman in retail merchandising.

Residents in HKMC were assessed a $200 fine for the destroyed microwave.

There were no fees billed to the University of Wisconsin-Stout from the Menomonie Fire Department for responding to the alarm.

However, none of this is new to HKMC residents, after having a fire alarm go off a mere 5 days before.

On Friday, Sept. 4, the first fire alarm of the year occurred when an unknown person on third floor Chinnock triggered a fire extinguisher. The dust given off by the fire extinguisher caused building fire alarms to go off and the authorities to be called.

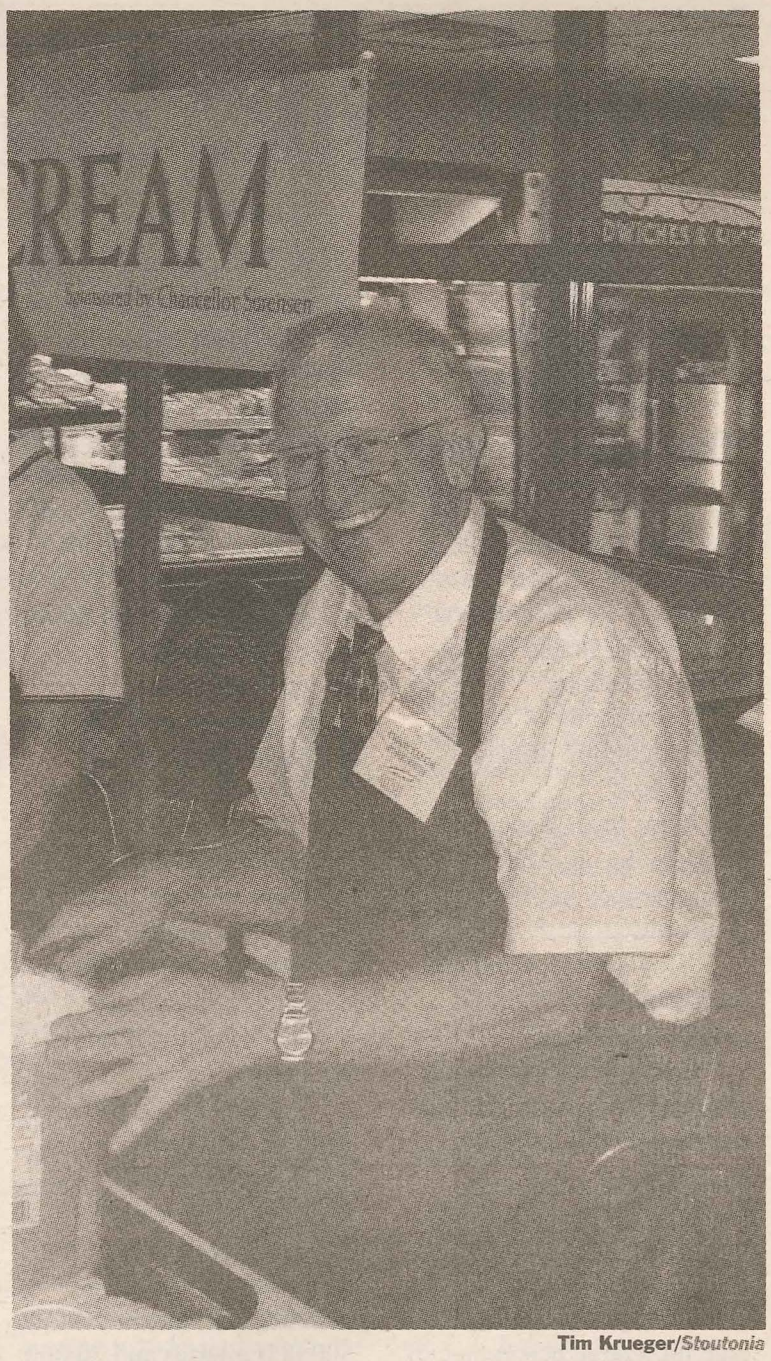
Fees were issued for the "clean up of the extinguisher dust and to replace the fire extinguishers," said Andrew Busch, Hall Director of HKMC.

False fire alarms are a common occurence in the residence halls, as students commonly forget to use the main entrance after 10 p.m. and also often forget about food items they are cooking.

University by-laws from section 18.06(11)d state that, "No person may interfere with, tamper with or remove, without authorization, any smoke detector, fire extinguisher, fire hose or other fire fighting equipment."

Section 18.06(11)e states, "No person may intentionally give a false fire alarm, whether by means of a fire alarm system or otherwise."

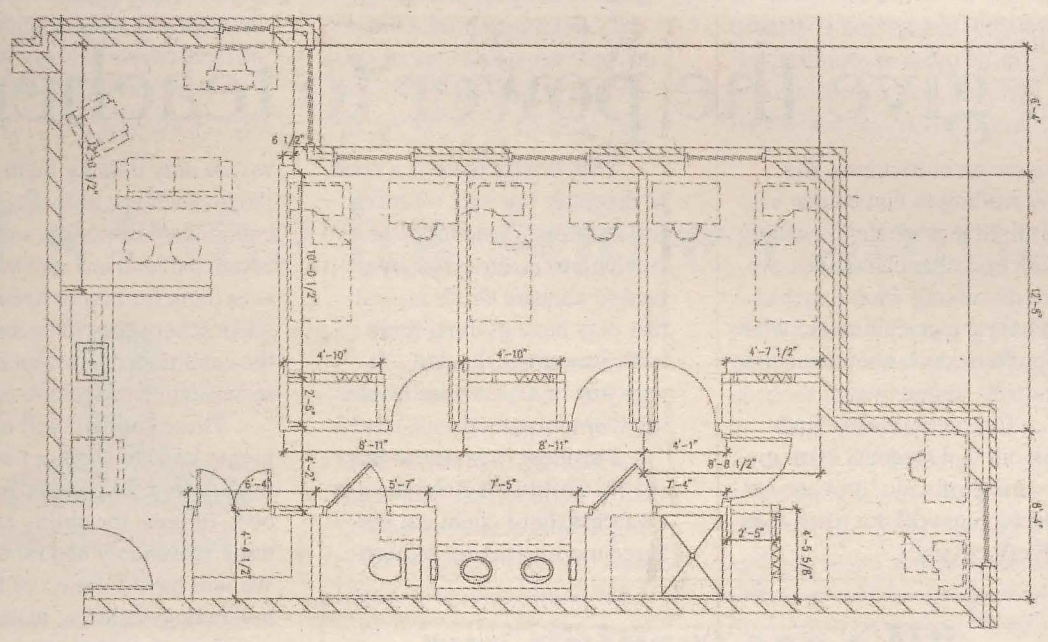
Either act is punishable by a fine not more than $500.



Tim Krueger/*Stoutonia*

Chancellor Sorenson has recently returned to campus after surgery. He spent Wednesday's lunch hour dishing out free ice cream.

Dorm /*new construction*



courtesy of Scott Griesbach

The new suites will have private rooms for each student with a shared kitchen, bathroom and common-room. This floorplan shows Unit H of the new dorms, and other units will be similar.

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"We meet every other week with the contractor and others from the university [to discuss the progress of the building]," said Griesbach.

The new dorm will house 296 students in a four-person suite format. Each resident will get a single bedroom but share a kitchen and bath with the other three residents of each particular suite.

According to Griesbach, the costs are not yet finalized, but will be approximately 45 percent more than the cost of a double dorm room. Currently a double occupancy dorm room is $2500, and a single occupancy dorm room is $3950, approximately 60 percent higher than a double.

Next year, the price for the double occupancy is expected to increase, however the cost for a single will decrease to only 35 percent more than a double, and the suites will be 45 percent more than a double.

The projected cost of the building is $16.7 million, which is completely covered by the fees charged by housing and residence life and is not covered by taxpayers.

North Campus will be redefined to boast an innovative community that fits the ever-changing needs of college students.

"The new facilities will be very nice," said Griesbach. "Very state-of-the-art."

The new residence hall will replace Jeter-Tainter-Callahan (JTC) Halls, which will soon be torn down.

The new dorms will be primarily for upper class students. The committee will develop criteria that will select which students will be able to live in these new dorms. There will be two suite-style dorms, one of which will be built in or close to Hovlid Hall.

"We want to offer an additional living option for our students," Griesbach said. "We try to offer a variety [for the students to choose from]."

Vote /*registration*

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will be bringing bands and entertainment to bring in potential young voters.

In addition to the New Voters Project, there are a number of other campaigns present on campus to increase voter turnout, both non-partisan and groups campaigning for their ideal president.

The Stout Student Association has also created a website to inform students about the candidates for positions in office.

Sean Peter, director of legislative affairs for SSA has spent countless hours compiling data in order to inform students on the stances that the candidates take on issues for this election.

The SSA website pertaining to the 2004 elections can be viewed at http://ssa.uwstout.edu/04election.html

UW-Stout's College Republicans are campaigning heavily to show that they believe current president George W. Bush is a better choice over his opponents.

"Our goal as an organization is to re-elect President Bush," said Matt Linne, co-chair of the College Republicans.

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>
> Matt Linne, co-chair
> College Republicans

"We have had great luck putting up fliers," said Linne.

Also present on campus is an unofficial group targeting disenfranchised voters. This group does not have a name, or any set agenda, but is just a group of concerned citizens making an effort to increase voter turnout.

This un-named group seeks out citizens that are not being targeted by the mainstream voter turnout groups and seeks to get them pre-registered to vote.

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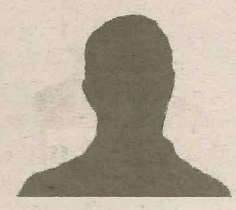
We drink, and we'd like some help



The Stoutonia Staff
Columnist

Think of your largest class, the one with a ton of students. Now pretend you are in it and asking the following questions.

"How many of you enjoy alcoholic drinks occasionally?"

Wow, that's a lot of hands in the air. And that one wannabe-jock has both of his hands raised.

"How many of you feel that alcohol is part of the college experience?"

Just about all the hands are raised this time, and that dumb jock still has both hands up.

Now think about what two points can be made from those questions. First, alcohol is just part of college for a large percentage of students on campus.

Second, don't you just hate that one wannabe that just doesn't quite get it?

People at UW-Stout drink; some drink a lot and some not much. Either way, a large number of students at this institute enjoy getting drunk from time to time.

It is illegal for students under the age of 21 to drink. It is illegal to provide alcohol to anyone under 21. It is illegal to drink and drive. It is even illegal to drink and ride your bike. Yet so many students do all of these activities and more.

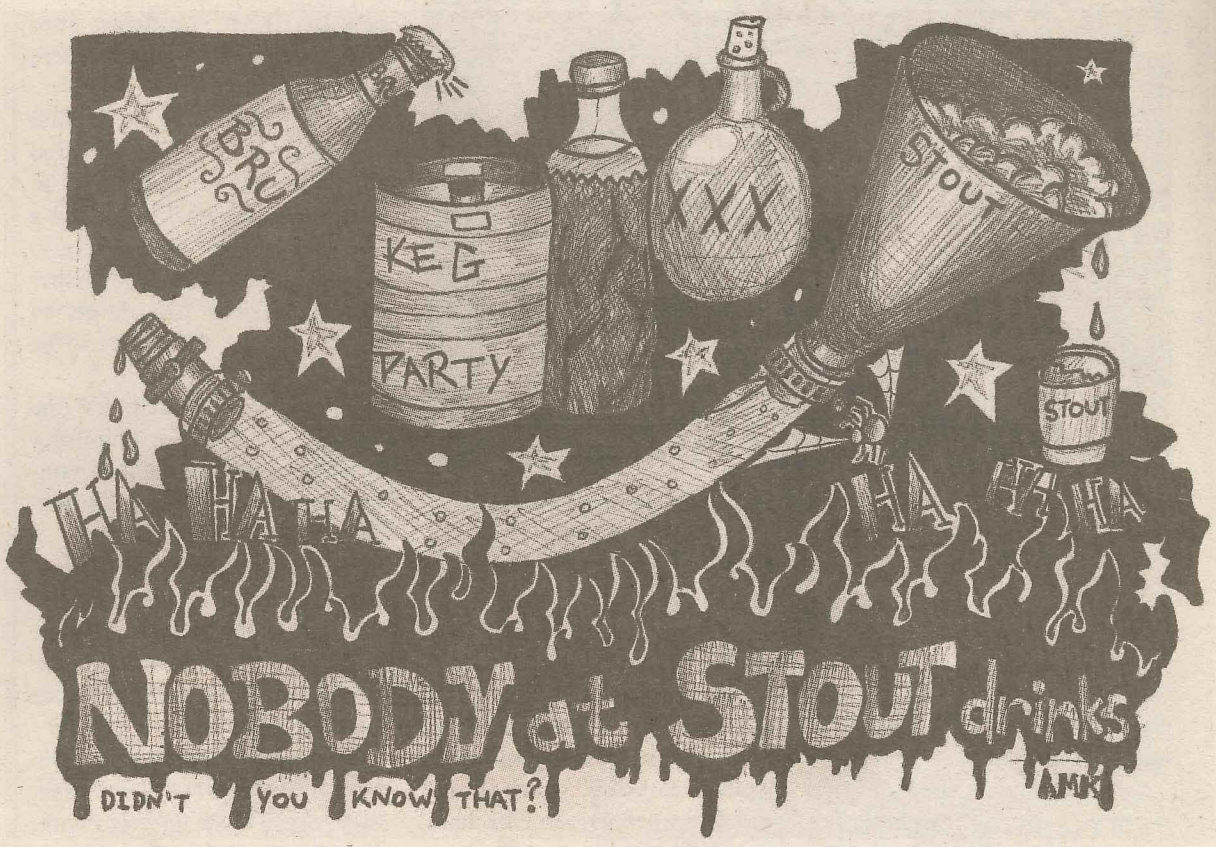
To everyone who isn't a college student, we get it. We understand that all those activities are illegal, but it is part of the culture.

If you want college students to be safer, make it easier to enjoy alcohol, not harder.

A study by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) reveals that drinking by college students age 18 to 24 contributes to an estimated 1,400 student deaths, 500,000 injuries and 70,000 cases of sexual assault or date rape each year.

Disturbing numbers.

The NIAAA also estimates that more than one-



fourth of college students that age have driven in the past year while under the influence of alcohol.

College students and authority figures need to come to an understanding. Students need to realize that there are limits to how much one can drink. Meanwhile, those with the power to provide for students need to provide.

The shuttle service in Menomonie is popular. Why not expand it? A fleet of buses that charge low fares to keep people from driving drunk is already succeeding; maybe another business could, too.

Do adults really want us to not drink and have fun before the real world gets us? Do they really want us to not experience the same things many of them experienced in college?

Most of us enjoy a house party once in a while, but once we get it out of our systems, it's not a weekly habit.

There was talk of making everyone take Friday morning classes to curtail Thursday night partying. Yup, that's stopped students in the past.

All we are saying is that college students like to party, and that isn't going to change. So please, at least help us party safely.

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It's time to give the power to teachers

Tim Krueger
News Editor

I have always been interested in education and how the system works because the system never worked for me as a child in school. I was that kid that never did the right things in school; I wasn't able to learn the same way my peers did, and for that, many teachers wrote me off.

I did have a few very good teachers throughout my years in school, and I believe that is probably the only reason I made it through. What set these teachers apart is that they were able to see that I learned in a different manner, and they worked with me.

This different way I learn is through experience. Teachers that would lecture and instruct a class got me nowhere, but the teachers that would use experiments and examples helped me get somewhere. I just seem to understand better by seeing it done.

I am currently taking a course on curriculum, and my reading in that course has inspired this article. Speaking with my other classmates, we are discussing what it means to have a curriculum and what should be done about teaching students in new ways.

Every day we are finding out that students learn in a variety of ways, and one set curriculum will not teach them all effectively.

This is why there is a need to diversify the way we teach our students. One uniform curriculum is almost guaranteed to alienate children, and this may have nothing to do with how smart they are. It may just be that we are teaching them incorrectly.

President Bush states that the No Child Left Behind act is a success, but I could not disagree more. This act requires

"We are turning our students into dogs...we are only training them as Pavlovian dogs."

Dr. Howard Gardner proposed the idea of multiple intelligences, in which I sincerely believe. This idea states that there is not just one number you can assign to a person to rate their intelligence, but that there are a variety of different characteristics a person can possess, making one person more books smart and another person better able to play musical instruments.

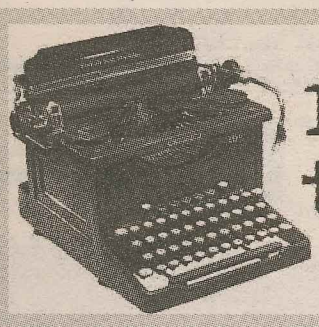
the use of standardized testing, which in turn requires the use of standardized teaching. Just through sheer probability, I can guarantee that whatever curriculum is taught, a significant amount of students will not be able to learn through the methods being used.

We are turning our students into dogs. We are no longer giving them the knowledge and tools to survive in this world; we are only training them as Pavlovian dogs, able to spit out conditioned responses when commanded. How will a child ever think for him or herself when schooling will become the conditioned absorption and regurgitation of specific facts?

These children will no longer be able to go out and find information on his or her own, or have the ability to think reasonably and rationally. We will have a nation of Pavlovian dog-children; place the government-mandated standardized test in front of them and watch them salivate.

President Bush has created a success for himself, but not for the children of America. I am pretty sure he will accomplish his goal of leaving no child behind, because how can any children be left behind when he has eliminated the chances for other students to get ahead?

Give the power back to the people who are trained and educated in the learning patterns and methods of children. Give the power back to those that know the children's names, and know what personalized help they may need. Give the power back to the teachers, and get President Bush out of our classrooms.



Letters to the Editor

451 is a good idea,

I just wanted to share my disappointment in the new freshmen class.

I could not believe what I was reading in the article Jesse Young wrote about many freshmen either not reading or not liking "Fahrenheit 451".

They didn't appreciate having homework over the summer break? Give me a break.

It is not like the book is that long or that hard to read, and it's a classic. This book is perfect for our day and age, it has a great message that can lead to wonderful discussion.

I really hope that this is not a sign of how society is trending; I fear the worst. I hope that the teachers did incorporate the book into their classes and that the students were able to see what they apparently overlooked during the summer.

Lets just hope these teachers don't assign them any work to do over Thanksgiving break!

Keri Otremba
UW-Stout Student

Ms. Otremba,

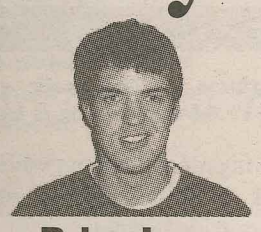
Thank you for writing in and expressing your opinion. Many of our staff shared your concern for the youth of this campus.

We also believe that students without the will to do a little reading during a three month span of beautiful weather, is just sad.

Add to that the fact that the book is one of the more interesting classics around and it leaves one with a very sour taste in the mouth when thinking of lazy freshmen.

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

Why not to vote for Bush



Brian Legg
Columnist

Has anyone heard the one about the guy who's going to vote for George W. Bush? He's been living in an underground bunker since 9/11 with his T.V. stuck on Fox News. He's convinced we've won the two wars we've entered and everything is peaceful and democratic in the countries we invaded. He's even convinced that Iraq had WMD and even a hand in 9/11.

What good reason is there to re-elect Bush to office? Seriously, I want to know. If you think of any, you can e-mail them to me and I will re-consider my stance. For now, I bring to you the reasons not to vote for him.

Remember Enron, the biggest case of corporate fraud committed in U.S. history? Well, back in 2000, when Bush was flying people into Florida to lobby and pressure the state supreme court, they were using Enron's private jets. Bush even allowed Enron CEO Ken Lay to conduct the interviews of the people who would serve in the Energy Department. For those of you unfamiliar with the Energy Department, they regulate energy companies like...you guessed it Enron.

Remember the Taliban, that brutal regime who oppressed women and harbored terrorists? As Governor of Texas, George W. Bush flew Taliban leaders in and schmoozed them. By schmooze I mean put them up in fancy hotels and took them out on the town, all in an effort to persuade them into a business deal to run an oil pipeline through Afghanistan. Well they refused, were toppled a few years later and the first act of business conducted by the newly appointed PM of Afghanistan was to allow the pipeline to be built. Guess who's building it?

Which brings me to my next point, Halliburton. Dick Cheney, the former CEO of Halliburton, still recieves stock options from this company that recieved several large no-bid contracts for Iraq's reconstruction. I think that there is a serious conflict of interest here, but I might just be crazy.

George W. Bush campaigned as a "Uniter not a Divider," but somehow the country is almost perfectly split. He continues to bring up the most polarizing and divisive issues like gay marriage and partial birth abortion. I think it is pretty clear how well he's kept that promise.

This could go on and on, but now I'd like to turn to some reasons to vote for John Kerry. Some say that Kerry is too nuanced and a flip-flopper. To me this shows his ability to understand when his views and opinions are wrong and that he is man enough to change.

Kerry cares about the environment, which is something greater than any other policy because without the earth we've got nothing. He cares about our place in the world, not as its ruler, but as a respected partner with greater ambitions for it than just economic success.

Just vote people; you don't have to agree with me. Care about the direction your country is headed. Care about the future of the world.

It's time for some campus debate

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

Cowards; this is what I think of the University of Wisconsin-Stout College Republicans. (CRs)

Last spring, the newly formed UW-Stout College Democrats issued the challenge of a debate to their counterparts and were met with the following answer:

"No, sorry, we are too busy studying."

Now the challenge has been issued again. I received the following email from the president of the UW-Stout Democrats, Patrick Stinnett, in response.

"I talked to Shawn Peters about the debate and having Matt Linne get a hold of me. Shawn was the one that said they were just interested in getting the candidates together on campus to debate issues. I have e-mailed him twice over the last week and no response. I also had Shawn tell him that I wanted to talk with him and for him to e-mail or call me. Nothing."

Are we as a university already so busy that such a debate would interfere with the CRs obviously hectic studying schedule? Surely the CRs are not a group of "girlie men" who cannot handle the added work load of preparing for one, single debate?

I do fully support the idea of both politically-aligned student organizations working together to bring opposing candidates to campus with the purpose of a debate.

Such an event would be a great way for students to gain more insight on local politics, but it is both Stinnett's and my belief that a student debate would be much more invigorating for the UW-Stout campus.

Personally speaking, I find that I gain the majority of my insight on most matters from speaking with my peers. We eat together, live together and learn together as a community. Why not also debate together as well?

I genuinely hope that the CRs are not scared. They really do have all the advantages; after all, according to the signs, this is Bush country. How could they loose?

The Republicans also claim to have God on their side, and you know there probably isn't anyone better to have in your corner than J.C. when dealing with baby-killers.

Toss in the fact that they are pretty snappy dressers, as well as having a nifty Web site and suddenly us Democrats don't really seem to have that much of a chance do we?

What better way than to prove one group's superiority over another than through a good honest debate?

Now the gauntlet has been thrown, the thumb bitten and the arse fully exposed. So what do you say? Care to belly up to the bar, roll up your sleeves and have a go at it?

If G.W. really is your boy, then why won't you stand behind him? We are ready to stand behind Kerry.

Worth Hearing ~~Once~~ Twice

"For $140 a month you can't expect a castle, but it might be just as old."

"You might be the perfect golfer if your favorite hole is the 19th."

No pants needed

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I think that I must lead either a very boring or very interesting life; I always end up doing stuff that most people wouldn't even consider doing for fun.

For example, I drank a sizable amount of water from a dirty, slimy duck pond outside of my high school for a little less than a dollar in change.

I don't know if it was the best use of my time, but I did buy a super ball and a stick hand later with that change, and I didn't even throw up from drinking the water.

I guess my point with that last anecdote was that a lot of times, when I'm with my friends, we get bored and start doing things like I just mentioned.

With that in mind, I'll relate a story that details an idea a friend of mine on the floor had the other night. Everyone has probably thought about this idea before, but not many people took it as far as this particular friend of mine did.

My friend, we'll call him Boomer, because that's actually what he likes to be called, had recently noticed a sign. I don't exactly recall where he was when he saw it, but that's not important. The sign he saw at a business establishment read: "No Shirt, No Shoes, No Service." Which is pretty clear, except for one thing: what about pants?

This was Boomer's big revolution, to see if he could enter an establishment that contained such a sign, with the notable exception of a pair of pants.

You see Ol' Boomer is quite the cowboy; he's from Texas and frequently wears a cowboy hat and boots to match; along with a large belt buckle. He would still dress like that if he were to pull this off, even right down to the belt buckle, but he would only wear tighty-whities on his lower half.

He's trying to get more of the gents on our floor to join him in his quest to see if this will still be allowed within the parameters of the sign, or if this is considered indecent exposure.

I will admit, though, that it would be super funny to see someone enter, say, a gas station or a McDonalds wearing cowboy boots, hat and a huge belt buckle with a pair of Ninja Turtles underwear.

I may write a follow up piece to this article, based on future developments in this underwear offensive.

I really hope that this actually happens, because writing about the project failing would be a very disappointing article. No pressure, Boomer.

Last chance to visit Medieval Times

By Elizabeth Bailey
Student Life Writer

The Renaissance Festival is a celebration of the 16th century with something for everyone. You enter through a castle wall that transports you back in time to a large village of performance artists and shops full of beautiful handmade arts and crafts.

Go join King Richard and Queen Margaret for the last weekend of the season. The theme is chocolate and romance, indulge in sweets and pie eating contests! Not only will you see royalty in traditional Medieval attire, but performance artists in full costume, from jugglers to peasants.

Like all great festivals, you can partake in a good variety of beer, wine and even eat beer cheese soup, served in a bread bowl. Available only at the festival are huge turkey legs to grab and gnaw on.

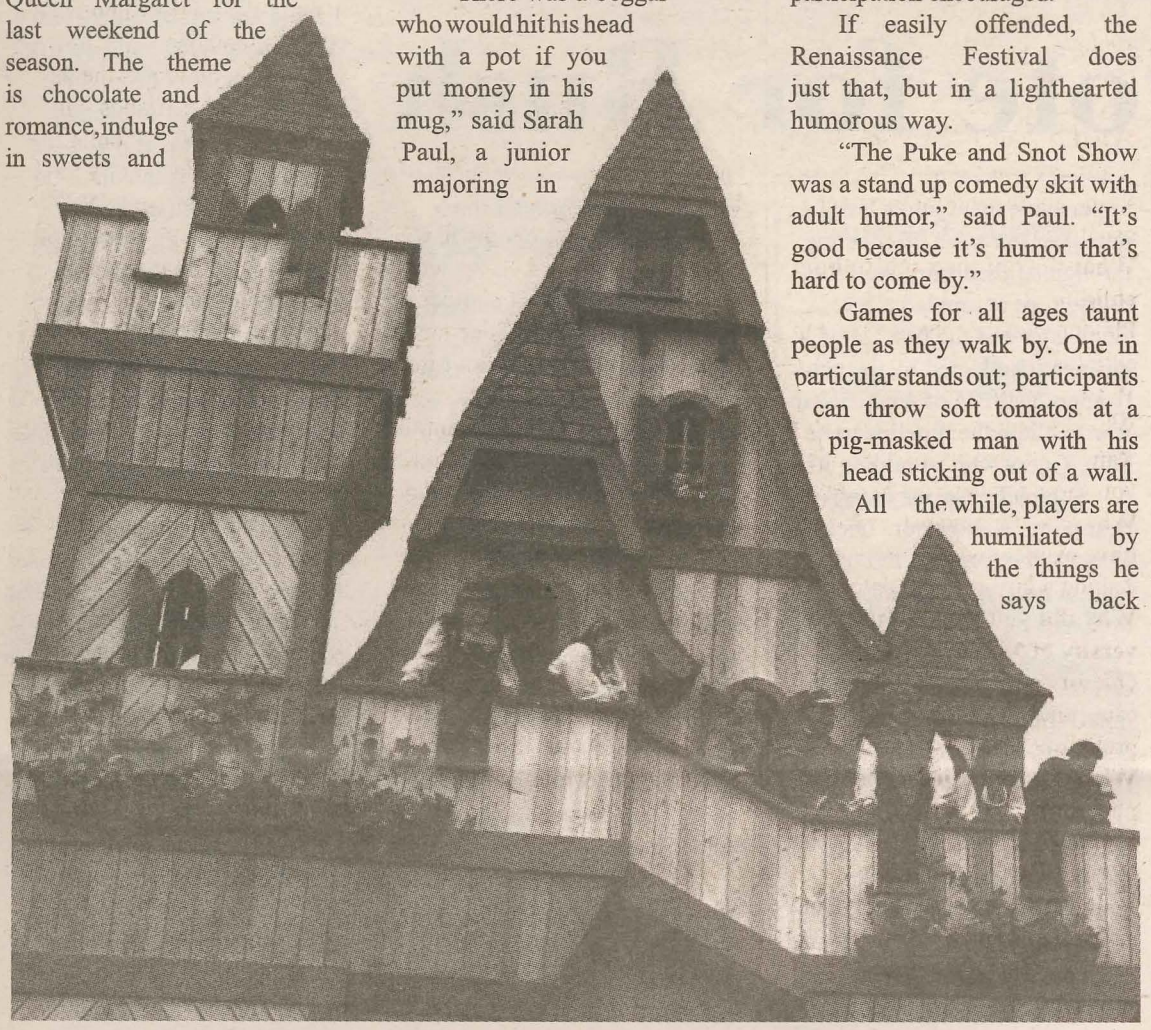
"There was a beggar who would hit his head with a pot if you put money in his mug," said Sarah Paul, a junior majoring in hospitality restaurant and tourism management. "One woman put twenty dollars down his pants and he proceeded to hit himself in the head 20 times while calling her a dirty whore."

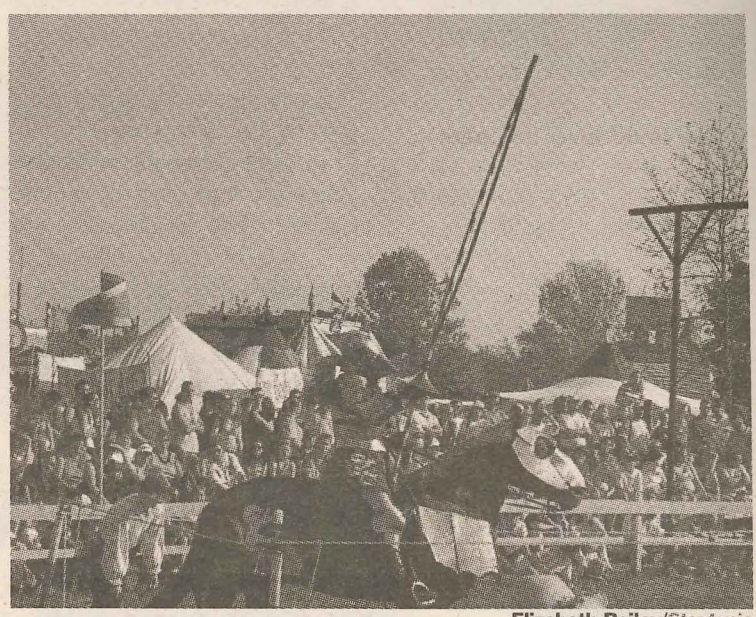
The festival is full of harassing performers on twelve different stages. The Tartuga twins are comedians performing the three amigos. Homosexual humor is their approach, with audience participation encouraged.

If easily offended, the Renaissance Festival does just that, but in a lighthearted humorous way.

"The Puke and Snot Show was a stand up comedy skit with adult humor," said Paul. "It's good because it's humor that's hard to come by."

Games for all ages taunt people as they walk by. One in particular stands out; participants can throw soft tomatos at a pig-masked man with his head sticking out of a wall. All the while, players are humiliated by the things he says back when he doesn't get hit.





Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

The Minnesota Renaissance Festival features jousting, crafts, comedy, games and more. Cost of entry is $17.95 and parking is free.

Jousting is a great re-enactment, done just like the 16th century in full armor, on horseback, carrying long wooden jousting poles with points. Audience participation plays a big part in who wins the joust.

"It's a unique experience; the people dressed in costume, the king and queen's parade," said Jenna Cardinal, a junior majoring in graphic design. "The good-natured bantering and forwardness of the workers and the unique items sold there all make it worthwhile."

The performers pour their hearts into each act and are there all day, wearing heavy clothing in the hot sun.

"It's interesting that all of the performers are there making a living off of tips from visitors," said Scott Prihoda, a senior majoring in business.

There are several different unique shops that include all handcrafted items: pottery, blown glass, paper, books, clothing and jewelry.

"I bought a handmade book," said Andy Christensen, a junior in studio art. "Some shops got too repetitive with artists selling the same thing; others had great individual talents."

"If you go the last weekend, you can get some good deals on gifts and crafts because the store owners don't want to pack it all back up," said Cardinal.

For directions and more information on the Renaissance Festival, visit: www.renaissancefest.com/MRF/home.html

Ponchos and high tops are fads in fall fashion

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

With the fall semester in full swing, you may have noticed some of the unique fall fashion bringing diversity back to the student body – ponchos, broaches and Lance Armstrong bracelets to name a few – but which fashion trends are in and to which ones should you wave bye-bye?

"This season it is so easy to have fun with shoes, and they are the perfect way to tie off an outfit and help aim for that perfect look," said Rachel Roti, retail merchandising and management senior and president of the Stout Retail Association (SRA). "My top favorites for the season are cowboy boots, ballerina slippers, loafers, moccasins and Vans Classics."

Vans Classics shoes have brought styles like slip-ons and high-tops, back into the limelight of trendy fashion for both genders. The shoes are offered mostly in pink, red and white for women and blue, green and black for men. Vans are perfect for wandering around campus, workouts at the gym or even as party wear because of their trendy and comfortable style.

"Ballerina slippers can be worn with skirts, jeans or paired with leg warmers," said Roti. "And moccasins are also fun to wear with skirts."

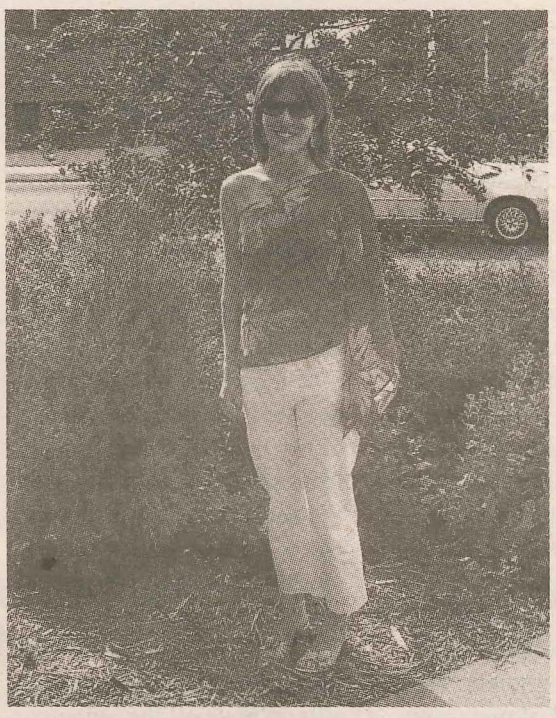
Lance Armstrong bracelets are the perfect accessory for both genders. The "Live Strong" yellow wrist bands, introduced by Armstrong, world cycling champion and six-time winner of the Tour De France, will not just categorize you as fashionable, but also as a humanitarian.

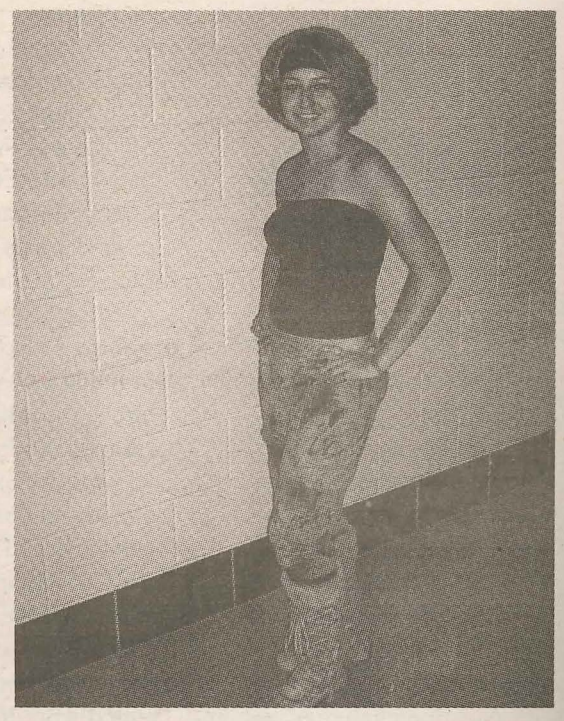
The "Live Strong" fashion statement supports joining together, finding courage and helping everyone affected by cancer to live strong.

Some of the no-no's in fall fashion include shirts with your initials, cargo pants, brightly colored fingernails, peasant shirts and bell bottoms.

"I know bell bottoms are out, but I still love them," said Molly Stoulil, senior in retail merchandising and management and member of SRA. "They also say that streaking your hair is out, but I like that too."

This year's fall fashions are all about having fun with what you own and staying comfortable. For women, flat shoes are in and a good rule of thumb is that if they are uncomfortable, leave them on the shelf.





Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

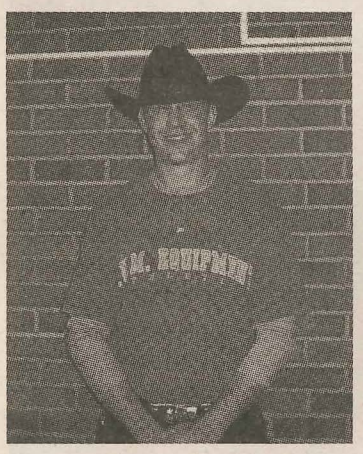
Fall fashion is all about comfort and individuality this year. Flat-bottomed shoes, ponchos, classic sneakers like Vans and "Live Strong" wristbands are a few trends around campus and elsewhere this season.

"Guys look great in a pair of loafers of any shade, and you can even find dressier loafers to wear with a suit," said Roti. "The essential item, of course, is a pair of converse sneakers. Personally, I would go for the high-tops. If you want to get a little bit fancier, round-toed heels, kitten heels and pointy-toed flats decorated with color, bows, fur, tweed or crocodile are also very in style."

Fashion is based on your individual tastes and comfort zone. Items like ponchos and Lance Armstrong bracelets just seem to be main stream fashion right now.

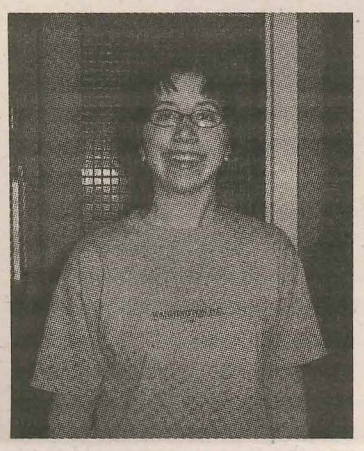
"Fall fashion is whatever you want it to be," said Kendra Busch, senior in business and packaging. "I'm just going to be wearing flip-flops or tennis shoes when you see me out."

Stout Watch



Andy Englund
applied science
junior

Hometown: Houston, Texas.
Relationship Status: Single.
What activities do you participate in on campus?
I am Vice President of the Science Club and an IRHA representative for North Hall.
If you could meet one person, who would it be?
Albert Einstein; he is one of the greatest scientific minds that we know of.
When you were a child, what was your dream job?
An astronaut.
What would you change about this school, given the power?
Gen. Ed. classes. I think they're irrelevant to majors.
What is your favorite season?
Winter because I never had snow when I was growing up - it's somewhat new.
What do you miss most about childhood?
Nap time.
What is your pet peeve?
Disorganized people, and when stuff is a mess.
What is the biggest risk you have ever taken?
This summer I was in Austin, Texas, and we went cliff jumping off of Lake Travis.
Why did you come to the University of Wisconsin-Stout?
My brother transferred here. I've never gone to the same school as he has, and I thought it would be a fun experience.
What is your least favorite part about yourself?
I procrastinate too much.
Who inspires you?
My grandfather. I respect him more than anyone else.



Jennifer Nevinski
general business
administraion
junior

Hometown: Holcombe, Wis.
Relationship Status: Single.
What activities do you participate in on campus?
Campus Crusade and Academic Honor Society.
If you could meet one person, who would it be?
Katherine Hepburn.
When you were a child, what was your dream job?
I wanted to be a teacher. When I was younger, I was in love with school.
What would you change about this school, given the power?
It is not technology-based enough. I think they should make better use of the technology we have.
What is your favorite season?
Summer because you get a break from school, and the weather is usually nice.
What do you miss most about childhood?
Playing outside. Not sports, but childhood games.
What is your pet peeve?
When people decide they don't want to do assignments. I think you should at least try to do it.
What is the biggest risk you have ever taken?
Asking a guy out on a date.
Why did you come to the University of Wisconsin-Stout?
One of the main reasons is because they have a good ASPIRE program.
What is your least favorite part about yourself?
I try to be a perfectionist.
What word do you hate?
Jenny. It reminds me of fingernails on a blackboard.

Technology's influence

Rude disruptions and deficient social skills

Diana Minea
Columnist

As I turned my back to her to prepare the drink she had ordered, I heard that familiar sound. The high-pitched electronic beeps that have replaced the actual ring of a telephone and invaded our classrooms, workplaces and social settings.

Every time I hear that noise, I wonder if all the convenience cell phones have brought is really worth what it has made us become: rude.

Cell phones are great for emergencies and when it seems impossible to contact someone. What I don't understand, though, is why people can't just leave them in the car.

Why would anyone want to spend their entire stay in a store on their phone, jabbering away about his or her personal life or work, while the employees and other customers have no choice but to overhear all the details?

It is almost like the person is saying, "I am more important than you," as they shove aside all social etiquette to finish the conversation while completely ignoring me as I wait to give the customer change.

Talking on cell phones while driving is a whole other story. Besides being completely unsafe, it also causes people to drive slower, sometimes less than the speed limit, which is a pet peeve of many people.

Social behavior is made worse by other technological features, as well.

AIM, MSN and other online messaging programs have hindered our social skills, especially on a laptop campus.

Once again it is all about convenience. It is easier to just type a note to someone who is already online and multitask than to dial up their number and talk on the phone.

I have found that the people I become better friends with are those that I talk to online, but those friendships rarely extend beyond the Internet. We don't hang out or even see each other outside of the chat window.

Maybe it's just me, but when I talk to a person online, after a while it becomes a little awkward to see them in person. I worry that I interpreted something they said wrong or that it wasn't the person I thought was talking, but rather their roommate as well, while the two of them laughed the whole time.

Friends that go to other schools, that I used to talk to on a regular basis, have faded away because we jumped from the phone to the Web, and now we are never online at the same time.

I also feel that we tend to say things online that we wouldn't say if we were talking

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Parking permit predicament

By Megan Thomas
Student Life Writer

Whether they have a parking permit or not, most students and staff have some form of a complaint about the parking situation on and around campus.

This year there are even fewer parking spaces available on campus than usual because of the new dorms that are being built on North Campus. Currently, the parking that was closed due to construction hasn't been replaced elsewhere.

"Right now we are working hard on getting a parking lot with the master plan for the new dorm rooms," said Keith McCarten, sergeant of police and parking services.

Since the plan for North Campus is to keep the parking lots to the outer edges of the area in order to separate pedestrian and vehicular traffic, the old lot had to be turned into the dorm area instead of finding a new place for the upcoming buildings.

The decrease in spots has left many people without any place to park at all. Out of all of the freshmen that applied for a parking space on campus, only 10 percent of them got a permit. There is still a lengthy list of people waiting to get one.

A lottery system is used to decide who gets parking passes. McCarten had to decide whether to include all freshmen in the lottery or to split it up between students living on North and South Campus. Ultimately, that is why some students living on South campus have spaces on North and vice versa.

Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

North Campus construction has left many students without a parking permit this year. If students don't have a parking spot, they can use the shared ride board to search for people who are traveling to their region.

Some people who do have a parking pass complain they can't find a parking space in a lot near their dorm. Students on North Campus often find themselves walking to a gravel lot down behind the construction. Even faculty complain they can't find a space near their building when they arrive for work in the morning.

"[Why can't they] use the empty parking lot across from Subway for students and visitors?" said Tonya Olson, an undecided freshman.

According to McCarten, the owner is not willing to sell or lease the lot to the school.

Everyone has a different opinion about who they think should get permit priority. Some say people who live closer to a certain lot should get first pick, some say seniors and some say athletes should be first.

"Athletes that have to drive to practice off campus should get parking passes first because it is a necessity for them to be on time," said Scott Sikkink, a freshman in marketing and business education. "After off campus athletes get passes, then the lottery should be done."

The parking situation may be an inconvenience for students, but some find that when they want to go home, their parents are upset about the hassle, too.

If getting home is a challenge, there is a shared ride board online, created to help people with sticky transportation situations. TheWeb site is http://www.uwstout.edu/rideboard/index.php. Once a person enters their name, destination and what day and time they need the ride, others can respond.

Until the parking situation on campus is resolved to serve the needs of more students, people will just have to make use of the short-term parking meters Menomonie has added or find a carpool to join.

Rude/ *Conversing respectfully*

to a person face-to-face or on the phone. Don't get me wrong, some of these conversations end up being really interesting, but they can also cause trouble.

Our judgment is impaired because we can't see or hear who we are talking to, so we don't worry as much about their reaction until we hit enter.

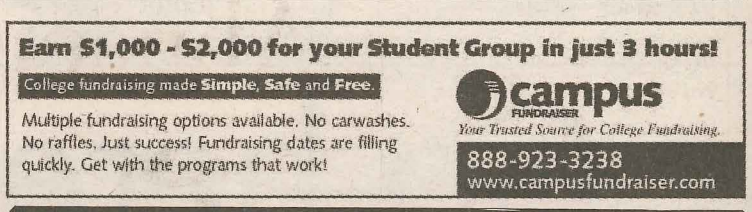
We lose that part of the brain that filters out the bad stuff and only lets us say the good stuff. It is like we aren't talking to a real person. We are just sending text into the middle of nowhere, until the person responds, angry or offended.

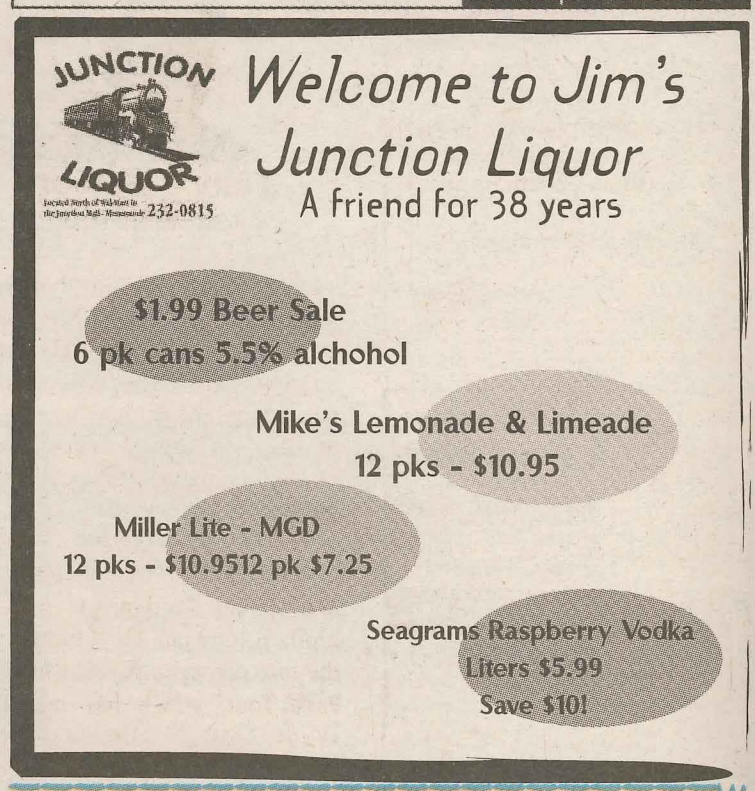
I think that technology advancement is great, but we need to figure out how to properly use these things that make life more convenient.

Cellphones should be used in more private places, like another room, in the car in a parking lot or simply outside of a store where the conversation won't make others uncomfortable or inconvenienced.

Instant messaging programs should only be used when it is the only option, like late at night or when someone is far away and doesn't have access to long distance calling.

We can be more polite, friendlier and more real if we can just realize that even though technology has made our lives easier, not necessarily better.





The 411

September 23 to September 30

Thursday, Sept. 23
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

Friday, Sept. 24
>**Norman and Nancy Blake,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $18 students.
>**Student Leader Nuts and Bolts,** MSC, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
>**Acoustic Performance: Caitlyn Smith,** Blind Munchies Coffehouse, 7 p.m., free.

Saturday, Sept. 25
>**PaddleFest Canoe Race,** start at boat landing N. of 29, 10 a.m.
>**Water Walker Film Festival** Great Hall, 4 p.m.
>**Women's Rugby**- Platteville, Multi-Pupose Field, 1 p.m.
>**Women's Tennis,** tennis courts, 10 a.m.
>**Women's Soccer,** Nelson Field, 2 p.m.
>**Stout Football,** Williams Stadium, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 26
>**The Beviin Trio,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $6, all ages.

Monday, Sept. 27
No events scheduled

Tuesday, Sept. 28
>**Film: Whale Rider,** AA 210, 7 p.m., free.

Wednesday, Sept. 29
No events scheduled

Thursday, Sept. 30
>**Comedy: The Late Night Players,** Rec. Center, 8 p.m., free.

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Porn star exposed at Stout

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

You don't have to watch porn to know who Ron Jeremy is. You just had to watch this movie.

On Tuesday, Sept. 14, Blue Devil Productions sponsored a free screening of "Porn Star: The Legend of Ron Jeremy" in the Applied Arts building.

The building was bombarded by images of the largest, hairiest and most famous pornography star ever.

Men and women alike showed up to watch the large man with the large penis, to hear his story and to stock up on the free colored condoms that were provided.

The night started at 7 p.m. and lasted nearly two hours. The movie spanned almost all aspects of Jeremy's life - from how he got his start, to his passion for acting, his love life and even the scientifics of how keeps it up for so long.

"[The movie] was absolutely orgasmic," said Lucy Regenshied, a undecided freshman.

The movie showed the man behind the reputation and exposed how Jeremy didn't intend to become this kind of actor. Directed by Scott J. Gill, the movie depicted the porn star's true lifestyle.

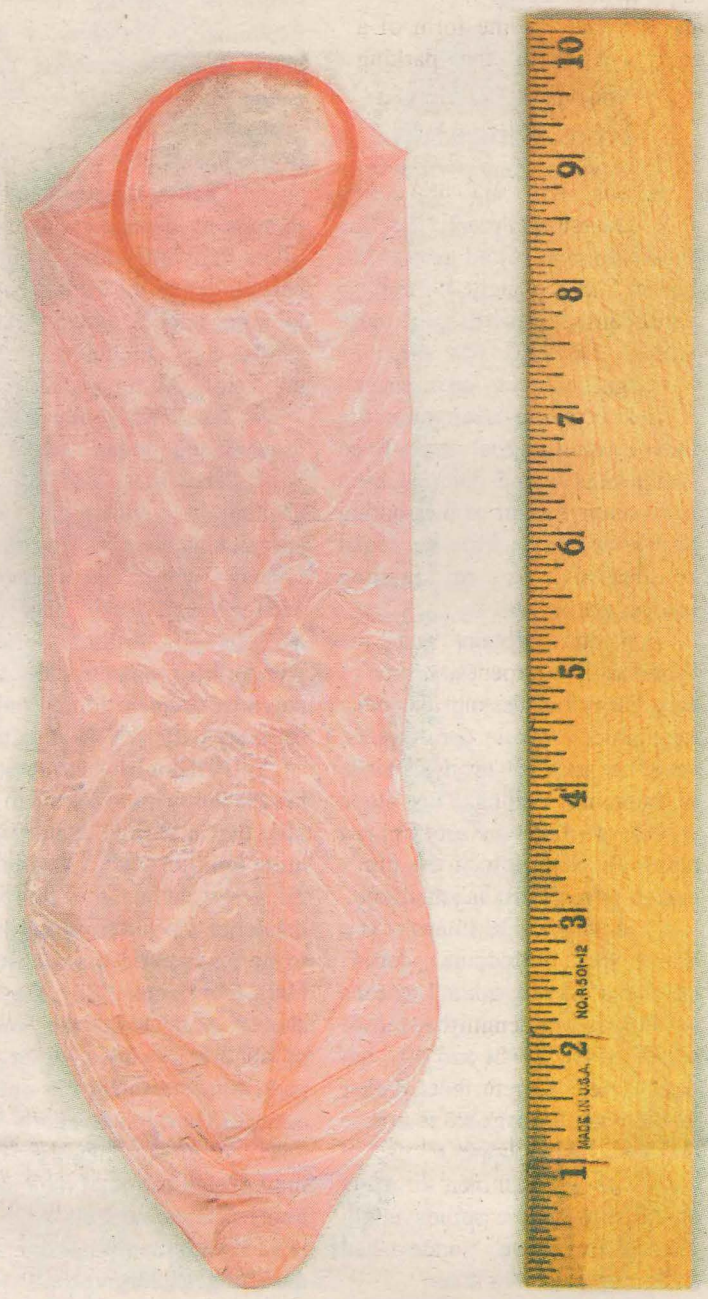
In the movie, Jeremy told how he can actually time his erection delivery, counting backwards from five, and releases himself on command. This was a learned skill, making him the envy of many men.

His unit, standing more than nine inches, would be impressive on a regular sized television, but it brings a whole new meaning to 'well endowed' on the big screen of Applied Arts 210.

"There's a part where he stands completely naked with his arms up," said Susan Lucas, a sophomore psychology major. "I was a little scared, and slightly nauseous."

Not your typical college-broadcast movie, "The Legend" gave a new point of view to students who were otherwise unfamilar with the pornography industry. It also gave Ron Jeremy fans a chance to get inside the mind and life of the legend.

"It deeply penetrated the life of a sick, sick man," said Sara Albers, a junior majoring in packaging, also the Blue Devil Production comedy director.



Abusement tour hits the right beat

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

As I sit here in the post midnight hours with my Mountain Dew in one hand and a cigarette burning slowly in the ashtray next to me, the rhythm and lyrics of the Abusement Park Tour play continuously through my speakers.

A collection of six of some of the most acclaimed hip-hop and spoken-word artists with a hip-hop style jam band thrown in the mix comprise the Abusement Park Tour, which has recently swept through Minnesota and Western Wisconsin.

Starting the show on a down note is Thedra Sheridan, a spoken-word artist and slam poet from Minneapolis Minn. Opening with a few lines about women's empowerment she digresses to what turns into a wail about the downfalls of feminism.

"I didn't like it," says Laura Hamilton, a sophomore in apparel design. "All she did was complain about how she feels that everything should be handed to her."

This sentiment is apparent to all via Sheridan's one recurring line, which is almost always shouted, "I WANT A SUGAR DADDY!" The awful wail of her voice in this incessant rant is cause enough to turn a deaf ear.

Flowing from bad to good, Pleasure Pause, a jam band out of the Twin Cities more than makes up for the ear-sore left by Sheridan. Pleasure Pause takes an OAR-like jam with inner city hip-hop lyrics added in at the last minute.

The few lyrics that do exist leave us with the feel of continuing socialprogress, telling us that, "We're closer to equal, but we're still separate."

Although the quantity of lyrics are down played, the quality stands out. It maintains a smooth, calm jam while spitting out thought-provoking lyrics at tongue twisting speeds, flawlessly.

Pleasure Pause could easily be an addition to a college poker night mix or on the playlist of a stressed out student during a late night study session.

Medida follows, a spoken-word trio bursting into the college market. Beginning with a sound-bite of a man expressing his concern for people, the true jam kicks off with the graceful voice of the one female band member.

Meanwhile, a relaxing yet upbeat flow behind free style-like raps, complete with appropriately timed scratching and voice over samples, all mix beautifully to create a wonderful hip-hop beat which can be enjoyed by fans of all genres.

Unfortunately, the following group, Doomtree, fails to match the quality presented by Medida.

"They would have been better if they would have worked on their beats," claims Cory Volkening, a junior majoring in Multimedia Design.

While listening to Doomtree tell us that they hope the knowl

Music continues on page 11

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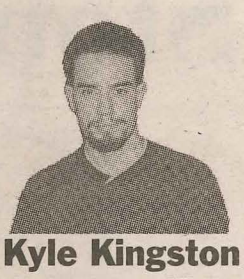
Sage Francis tears it up on stage with his free style raps and underlying meanings in his music. Francis has performed here on campus before.

'Sky Captain' can't get off the ground



Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

In recent years, the line separating reality and fantasy has become increasingly blurred as digital effects have become more refined. Even so, few directors have the courage, some might call it "the nerve", to create an entire movie using digital sets. Even George Lucas and Peter Jackson have stopped short of this, opting to rely at least a little on actual constructed sets or existing landscapes.

"Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow" has none of this. Everything except the most tangible elements (i.e. actors, costumes and most props) is made of ones and zeroes. This alone would earn director Kerry Conran points for ambition, if the film's design weren't just as ambitious.

Like George Lucas' "Star Wars" and "Indiana Jones" movies, "Sky Captain" gleans its inspiration from the movie serials of the 1930s and 40s, but it goes one step further. Rather than paying homage to its source material, "Sky Captain" is, in many ways, what the directors of old-time movie serials might themselves have made had technology allowed them.

It seems from the outset that "Sky Captain" is going to be a case of style over substance, and for the first hour that's all right. The style is just good enough to make that work.

Before the "world of tomorrow" part of the title is explained in the story; it seems clear that the intended setting is the futuristic year of 1939, as imagined by the pulp magazines of the 30s.

Giant robots attack a metropolis defended by intrepid pilots in WWII aircraft. Nobody bats an eye at the Hindenberg III looming large in the sky. As eye candy goes, this is some very good stuff. All the visuals reek of 1930s sensibilities, and it fits the movie like a glove.

The first half of "Sky Captain" contains some spectacular moments. The movie's fantasy world is immersive, and the early sky battles are exceptionally thrilling. For a few wonderful moments, the film's potential seemed limited only by the imagination of the director.

Perhaps it was inevitable, but the momentum started to slide after the first half. The story never quite built to what it should, and the spectacle began to dull when the action shifted from aerobatics to more conventional action movie fare. By rights, "Sky Captain" should end with the mother of all aerial battles, or at least something worthier of its opening scenes. That it essentially ends with an unrewarding, unexciting thud, which is one of the movie's larger disappointments.

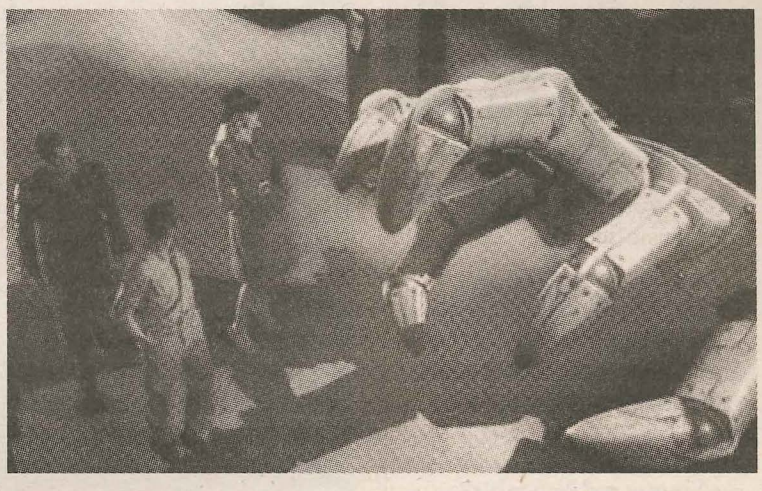
Another disappointment is the acting. I'll forgive the dialogue because, after all, it's supposed to be derivative of 30s serials, but the characters never climb above the archetypes they're supposed to represent.

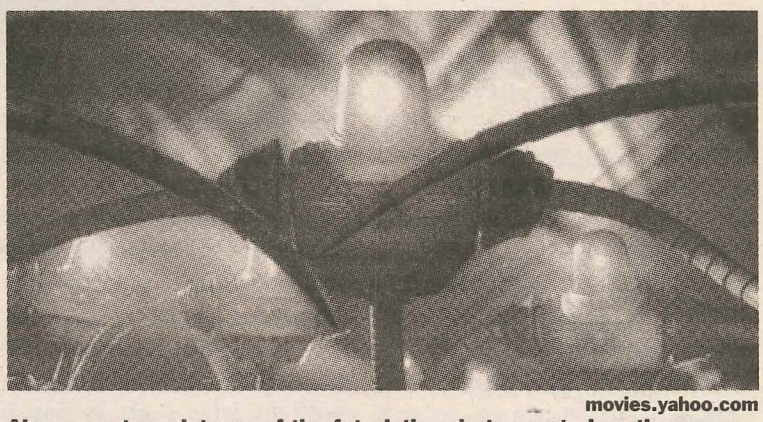
Jude Law never rises to the occasion of leading man, though to be fair the challenge he faces is much larger than it would at first seem. A pulp hero, even the rough-and-ready type, is supposed to be larger than life. The tradition goes as far back as Buck Rogers and Flash Gordon and continues with Indiana Jones and Luke Skywalker. Sky Captain wants to walk among these giants but—try as he might—he just falls short.

The leading ladies are fun to look at, but in the end they don't amount to much either. Gwyneth Paltrow, playing the spunky female reporter, seems to be trying to act like Lois Lane or Rosalind Russell. It never convinces, even for a moment. She also has more difficulty reacting to the blue screen than anyone else, and considering that's all there really is to react to, that's quite a problem.

Anjelina Jolie fares much better as a British air fleet commander. Though she's given much less screen time than Paltrow, she makes more of an impression. There's a hint of chemistry between Jolie and Law, something that's obviously supposed to happen with Paltrow, but never does.

I really wanted to like this movie, and for a while I did. If the story had been stronger, perhaps its other faults could have been overlooked. As it stands, I can only afford "Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow" an average three out of five.





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Above are two pictures of the futuristic robots created on the green screen after the actors had already filmed the scenes.

Critic's Corner

"The leading ladies are fun to look at, but in the end they don't amount to much."
-Kyle Kingston

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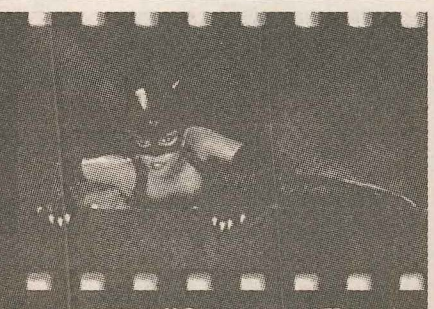

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edge that they kick in the face kicks us back, I can only wish that someone would have kicked them for thinking that recycling the same combo of bass drum, snare and cymbal could possibly add something to the lyrical experience.

I have no hope for the Twin City music scene if this was the best local hip-hop group of 2004.

Conversely, after just enough time to forget the skin curdling wails of Thedra Sheridan, The Suicide Kings show us how spoken word should be done.

Comprised of three award-winning slam poets from Oakland California, The Suicide Kings bring a West Coast reality check to the Midwest.

They are a group worth hearing for the experience of the moment. The words which pour from their souls may be vulgar, but they express the unseen or forsaken sides of the parts of life which many choose to ignore.

With lines like "Fellatio can be sexier with a gun," the hard unseen lives are presented in two lights; that which renders the most common reactions to the masses and the other, the degrading extremist view that those same people hide from.

To a region dominated by middle-class, white Americans, The Suicide Kings hit hard to make you feel the darker sides of life, yet they instill the idea that the individual is stronger than the hardships that they are presented with, no matter how terrible.

The final sounds left to the listener are of the national hip-hop sensation, Sage Francis.

Coming from a guy who has a strong dislike for rap, I must say I thoroughly enjoyed this bit. Unlike the mindless drivel of most mainstream rap Sage Francis has substance.

Following the common theme of the artists on the tour, Sage Francis doesn't care about having money or cars or women. He has been described as "a straight-edge disaholic who has nothing better to do than create amazing hip-hop," according to Erik Evans, an advertiser for the tour. This is a sound, flow and feel in a class of its own.

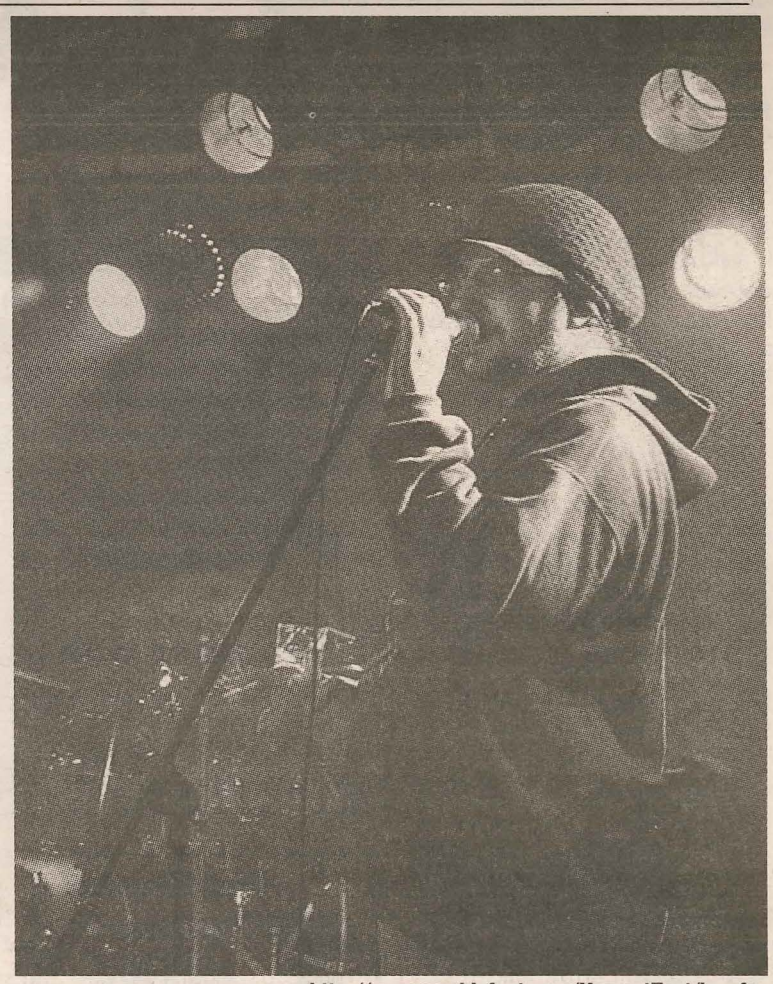
The only thing I can imagine to supersede the performance put on by Francis would be to see him in a live freestyle competition.

His lyrics are indescribable and rightfully so seeing as he's been recording since the age of eight. Sage Francis carries whatever dead weight is left by the lesser groups of false hype.

All in all, I wish I would have been able to catch a show on the tour. I'm impressed with the overall performance of the anger-driven Abusement Park Tour.

To satisfy a craving until the next time these artists cross the country or at least the Midwest, one can pick up Hope, the new album from Sage Francis, which is due out next month.

Nevertheless, one thing remains certain: time invested in listening to this hodge-podge of spoken word/hip-hop is worth the life education it provides.



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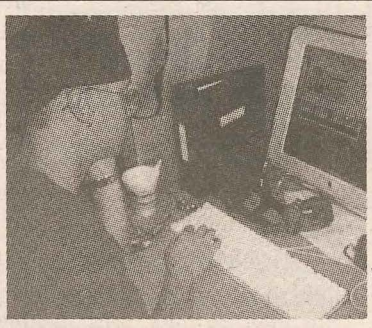
Yoni, one of the members of Pleasure Pause, helps to create the group's relaxing yet upbeat flow behind it's freestyle raps.



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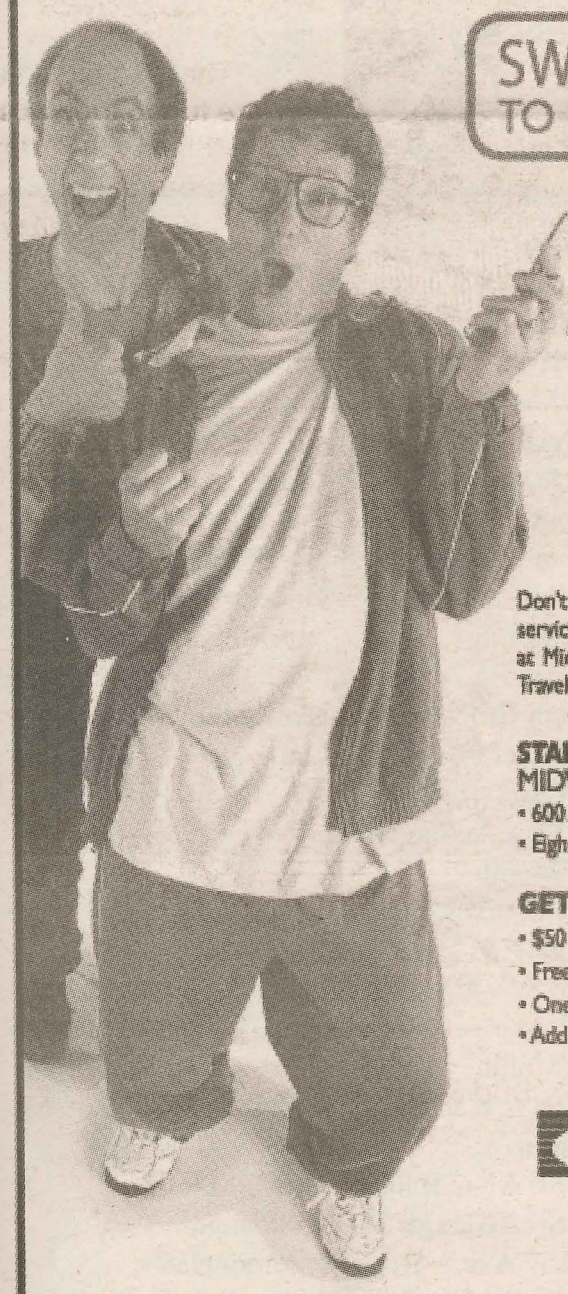

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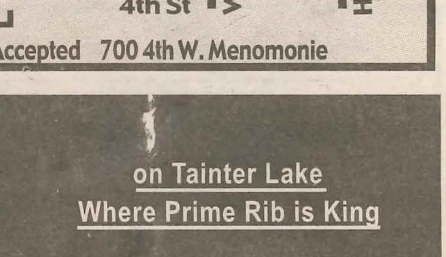

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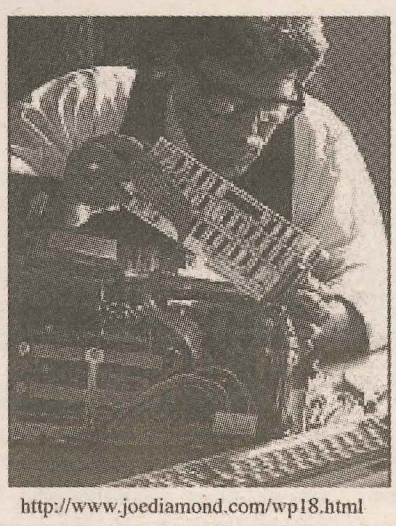

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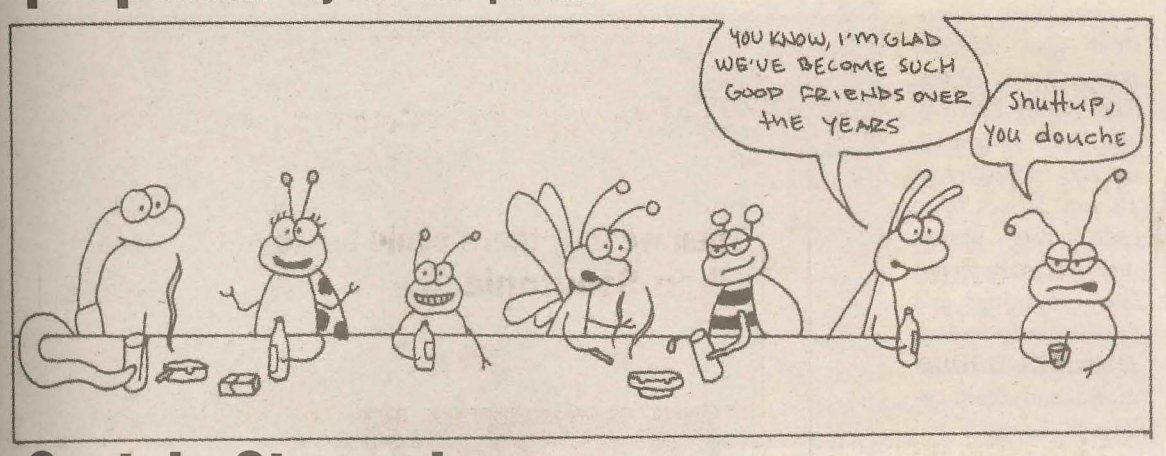

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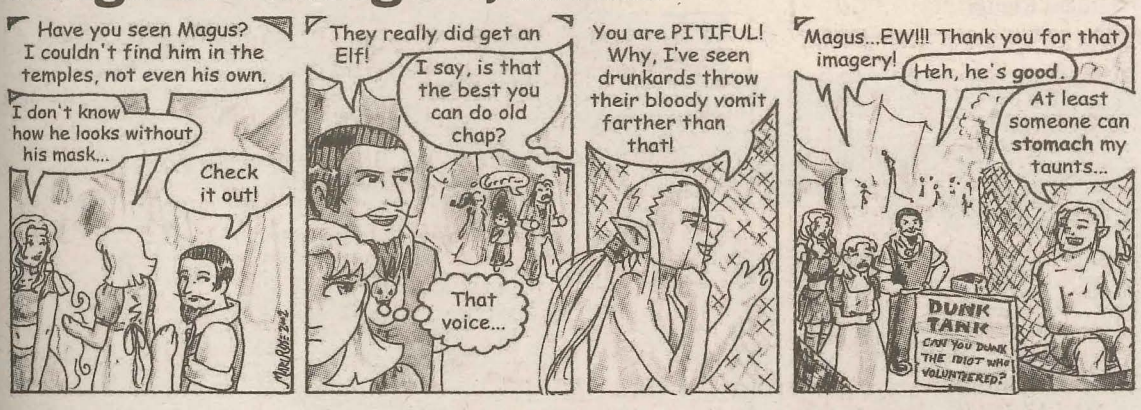

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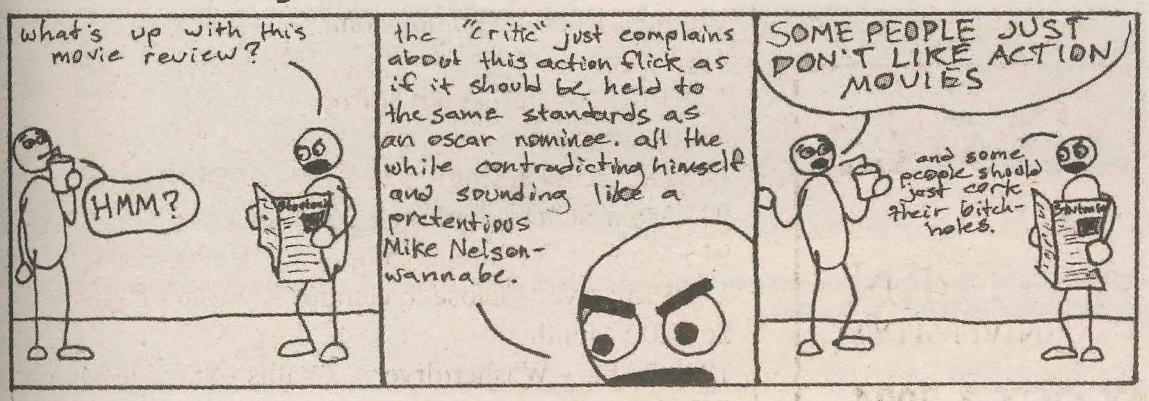

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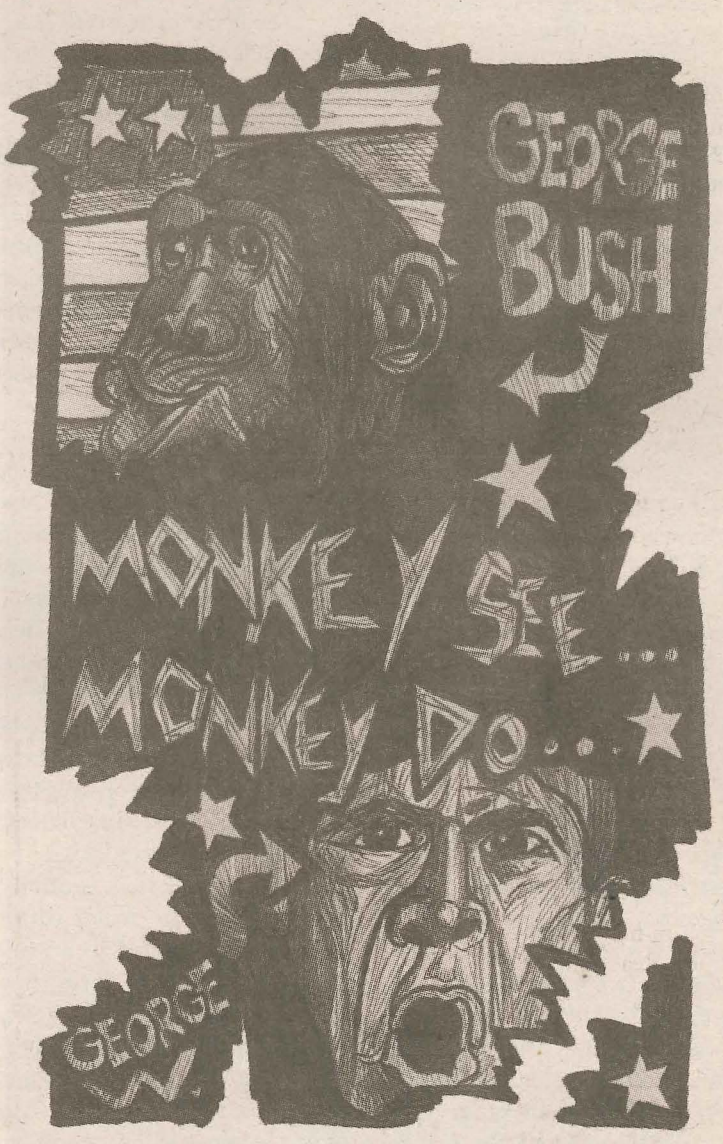


Life and Adventures by Andy Christensen

An adventure beyond college life

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Stout Adventures is for those who have a passion for the outdoors. If an individual finds hiking, climbing, canoeing, rafting, kayaking, and just about anything else outdoors fun, Stout Adventures is the place to go.

Stout Adventures is a part of University Recreation. The department includes the climbing wall, equipment rental, the ropes course, an outdoor resource center and a trip program.

It offers many opportunities for students, faculty, staff and the community to get involved and be active.

The department provides many chances for members to learn leadership and outdoor skills through challenges presented during activities. Teamwork is also a major emphasis of Stout Adventures.

Many of the activities and trips that are offered highlight personal challenges and group decisions.

The ropes course is a great place to learn teamwork and leadership skills. It is also a good bonding experience for any group or organization that doesn't know each other very well. The course can be scheduled for either high-ropes activities or low-ropes, depending on the size of the group. The course really focuses on teaching groups how to work things out together.

"You really have to help each other out, you can't do it alone, or someone could fall behind," said Alicia Lano, a sophomore in General Business and a Stout Adventures Specialist.

The department offers many other chances for people to learn new skills through challenges presented during activities.

"Stout Adventures is really great because there are so many emerging leaders participating," said Jeff Keenan, the special events coordinator and marketing liason. "It really becomes a family environment when everyone is working together so closely."

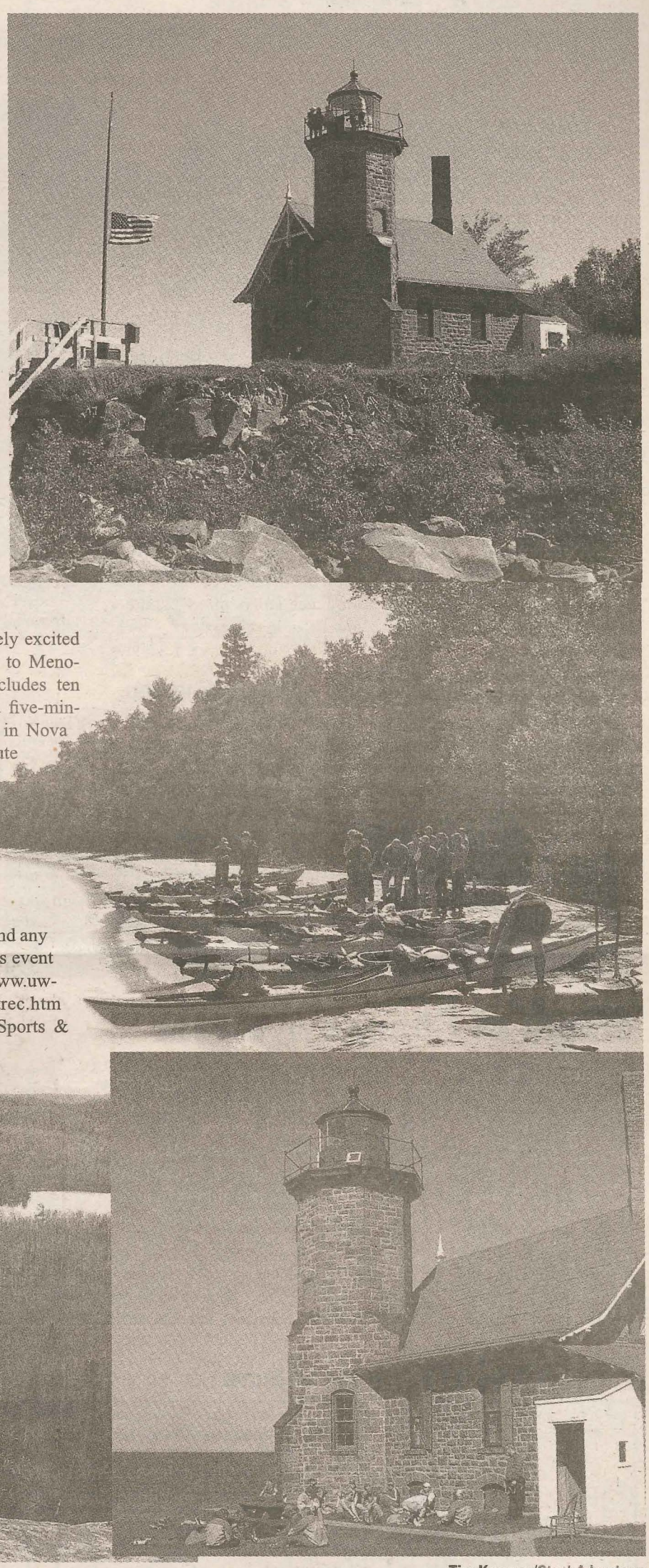
Group trips are offered throughout the year, ranging in events from paddling and mountain biking, to climbing and backpacking. Winter trips include events such as downhill and cross-country skiing. These trips are offered for a nominal fee to UW-Stout students, faculty and staff and are also offered to the community. Spring Break trips are also tentatively planned for mountain biking in Colorado and climbing in Kentucky.

Rental equipment is offered for all trips. The rental equipment is also offered to anyone going on a trip of their own. Rentals include canoes, climbing gear, tents, backpacks, camp stoves and more. New in January are expedition sea kayaks, which require a safety course before renting, Stout Adventures also added Acadia model kayaks in July for rental without a safety course. Stout Adventures also includes many special events. The Paddle Fest Canoe Race is coming up this Saturday at 10 a.m. It is a three mile, two person race that starts at the Hwy. 29 bridge and finishes in Irvington. A shuttle will return racers and their canoes to the start.

Canoes can be provided for the race. The deadline for registration has been extended until Friday, the 24th.

Following the race is the Waterwalker Film Festival, which is a free event. It is an internationally known film festival and Stout Adventures is extremely excited to be able to bring it to Menomonie. The event includes ten films, ranging from a five-minute music video shot in Nova Scotia to a 60 minute film documenting wilderness expeditions to Russia and Brazil.

More about this and any other Stout Adventures event can be found at www.uwstout.edu/univrec/outrec.htm or stop down at 56 Sports & Fitness Center.



Tim Krueger/Stout Adventures

Stout Adventures is involved with many different activites that deal with the outdoors. From backpacking through the wilderness (left), to visiting national parks (right). The Stout Adventures group even went on a kayaking trip (top). Teamwork and leadership are also taught in the club.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Melissa Ballweg
Soccer

Blue Devil goalkeeper Melissa Ballweg has been unbeatable with the help of a strong UW-Stout defense.

In the last four games, Ballweg has allowed no goals, and has accumulated 482 shutout minutes in a row.

In the four game streak, Ballweg has only had to make one save against the Universtiy of Wisconsin-Whitewater. In the 4-0 win, Ballweg made most stops before the offense could even shoot.

Ballweg has allowed only one goal in five games this season. She has made 35 saves and has a save percentage of .972. Her solid defense has propelled the Blue Devils to a 4-0-1 record on the season.

Her efforts have also earned her Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference defensive player of the week for soccer.

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Posted shutouts in the last four games for the Blue Devils.

Sports for the average joe or jane

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Intramural sports are a large part of University Recreation. Over 3,000 students participate in them over the course of a year and more than 40 students are employed by intramurals. About 17 different activities are offered each semester.

"Intramurals are a fun way to get out and work in a team environment," said Ben Julson, an Intramural staff member. "Working for intramurals is better than any other on-campus job because of the mix of the people you work with and meet and the sports environment."

Intramural Sports are run and refereed by students. There is only one professional staff member for all intramurals and serves as the coordinator.

A new coordinator has been hired this year, his name is Erik Unger. Unger is a recent graduate of Minnesota State University-Mankato, where he obtained his Masters in Sports Administration.

He is excited to be here and has implemented a new program with intramurals for this year, called the All-University Points System. This is a system that will award an All-University Champion as well as divisional champions at the end of each academic year.

In this system, teams will be awarded points depending on the classification of the activity, performance, forfeits/defaults, sportsmanship and attendance at meetings. More information can be found out about the Points System at www.wustout.edu/univrec/im/allpoints.htm.

Intramural sports are offered during the fall and spring semesters. They are an inexpensive way to get involved in sports on campus without the time commitment of a varsity sport. Each sport lasts five weeks, with new sports beginning throughout the semester.

"Intramurals are a great way to get involved and meet new people on campus," said Ariana Clunis, an intramurals participant. "They don't require too much commitment but are a good way to stay active."

Flag football, sand volleyball, softball and beanbags are currently offered. Each sport runs for about three weeks, with an average of five games over that time. Playoffs then last another two weeks.

Teams can play Sunday through Thursday nights, from about 4 p.m. until midnight. Each team is given the option to play mostly Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday, which makes it possible to schedule around late classes.

Amy Stoegbauer/*Stoutonia*

Intramurals are a fun way for students to relax and meet new people. Over 3,000 students participate in intramurals each year, and over 40 students help run the events.

Some intramurals are free and others are available for a minimal fee. Team sports can be signed up for by an entire team or individually. Individuals interested in team sports can sign up as free agents, which will then either be placed into a team of other free agents or can be scouted by captains in need of extra players.

Each sport has a mandatory informational meeting which at least one player from each team must attend in order to sign up for playing times and pay league fees.

Sign ups for the next round of intramurals starts Oct. 18. These sports include basketball, volleyball, kickball, 3-on-3 basketball and racquetball doubles.

Intramural schedules are available online at www.uwstout.edu/univrec/im.htm. Any further questions about intramurals can be directed to Erik Unger, ext. 5356 or ungere@uwstout.edu.

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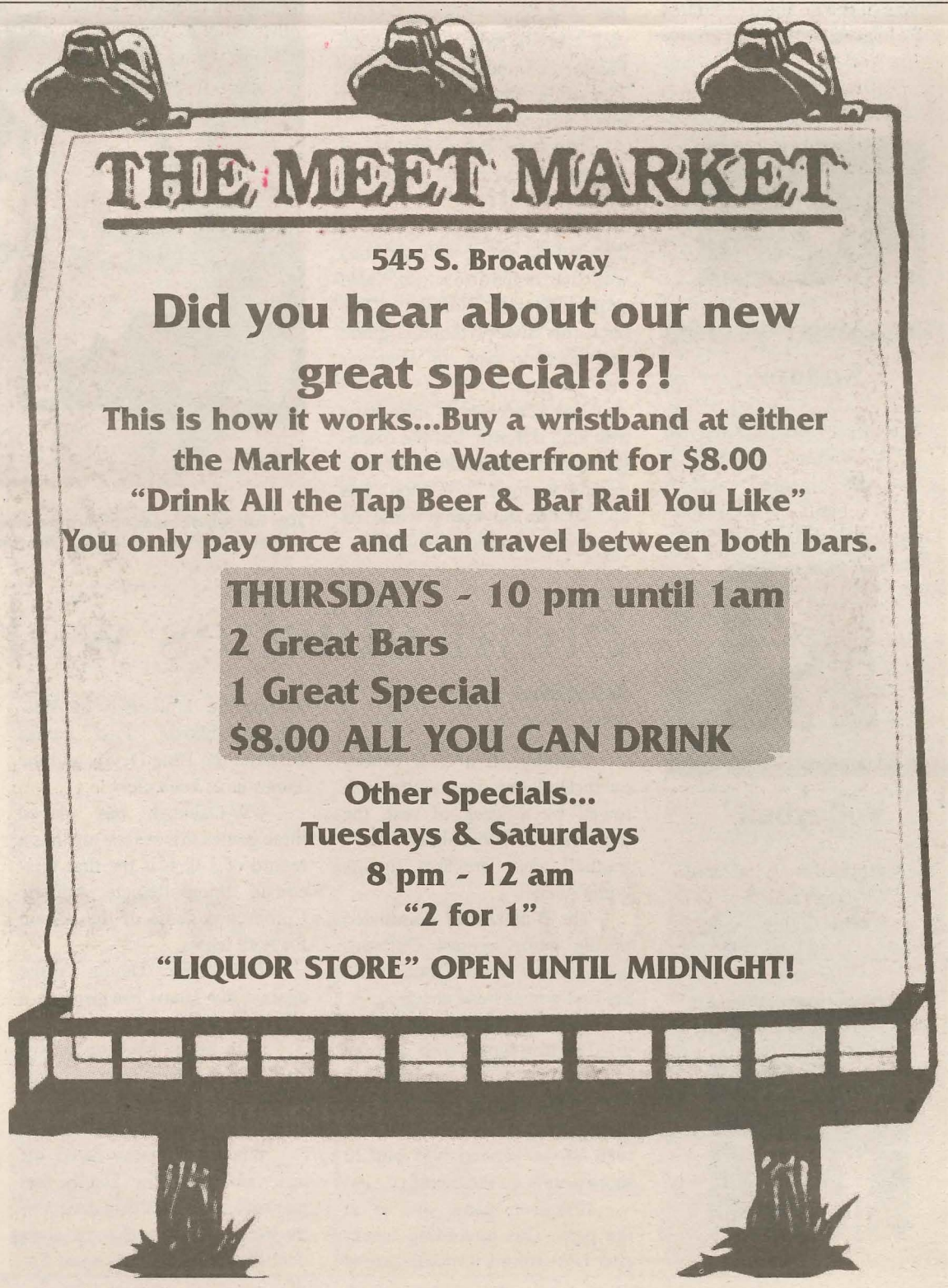


Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football

The football team won 23-0 at DePauw University on Sept. 11

Next Game:
Sept. 25
hosting Oshkosh

Cross Country

The cross country team opened the season by earning fourth place at the St. Olaf Invitational.

Tennis

The Blue Devils were defeated by UW-Whitewater 9-0.
Next Match:
Sept. 25
hosting Ripon College

Soccer

The soccer team defeated UW-Whitewater, 4-0,
Next match:
Sept. 25
hosting Northland Baptist

Volleyball

The volleyball team defeated UW-River falls 3-0
Next Game:
Oct. 1 at
Whitewater

Volleyball climbs the polls

By Wes Simonis
Sports Editor

The Blue Devil women's volleyball team may have trouble getting through security if they plan on traveling this season.

With six returning seniors and an explosive start of 11-2, the University of Wisconsin-Stout is packed with enough guns and ammunition to be a dangerous force in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference this season.

The Blue Devils, who are currently ranked 16th, defeated tenth ranked University of Wisconsin-Platteville 3-1. It was a big win for the Blue Devils, who had just been handed a bitter defeat by the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

In the match against the Pioneers, seniors Brooke Viegut and Tanielle Hartwig were key players to get the Blue Devils the win. Hartwig had 15 kills, five alone in the fourth match. Viegut led the team in kills with 16.

The Blue Devils then faced the 15th ranked opponent, the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Brooke Viegut had 13 kills for UW-Stout. Lindsay Mensink and Hartwig pummled the Falcons, combining for 24 kills. The Blue Devils also had 21 block assists night.

The team has posted seven shutouts this year and the season isn't even half over.

"With our huge front row, they always set up an enormous wall that is hard to cross," said senior Kjersti Hamlin. "The back row always remains quick and ready to pick up whatever they are thrown."

The Blue Devils may have iron clad defense, but the offensive threat may be the most dangerous weapon. UW-Stout has 665 kills on the season while its opponents combined have 207.

"Our knowledge of the game is strong, and we know what has to get done," said Erin Heger. "We are a very smart team."

Smart play will be a must for the Blue Devils. The team faces two tough conference opponents in the next two games. The Blue Devils play 8th ranked University of Wisconsin-Whitewater on Oct. 1 and 18th ranked University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Oct. 2.

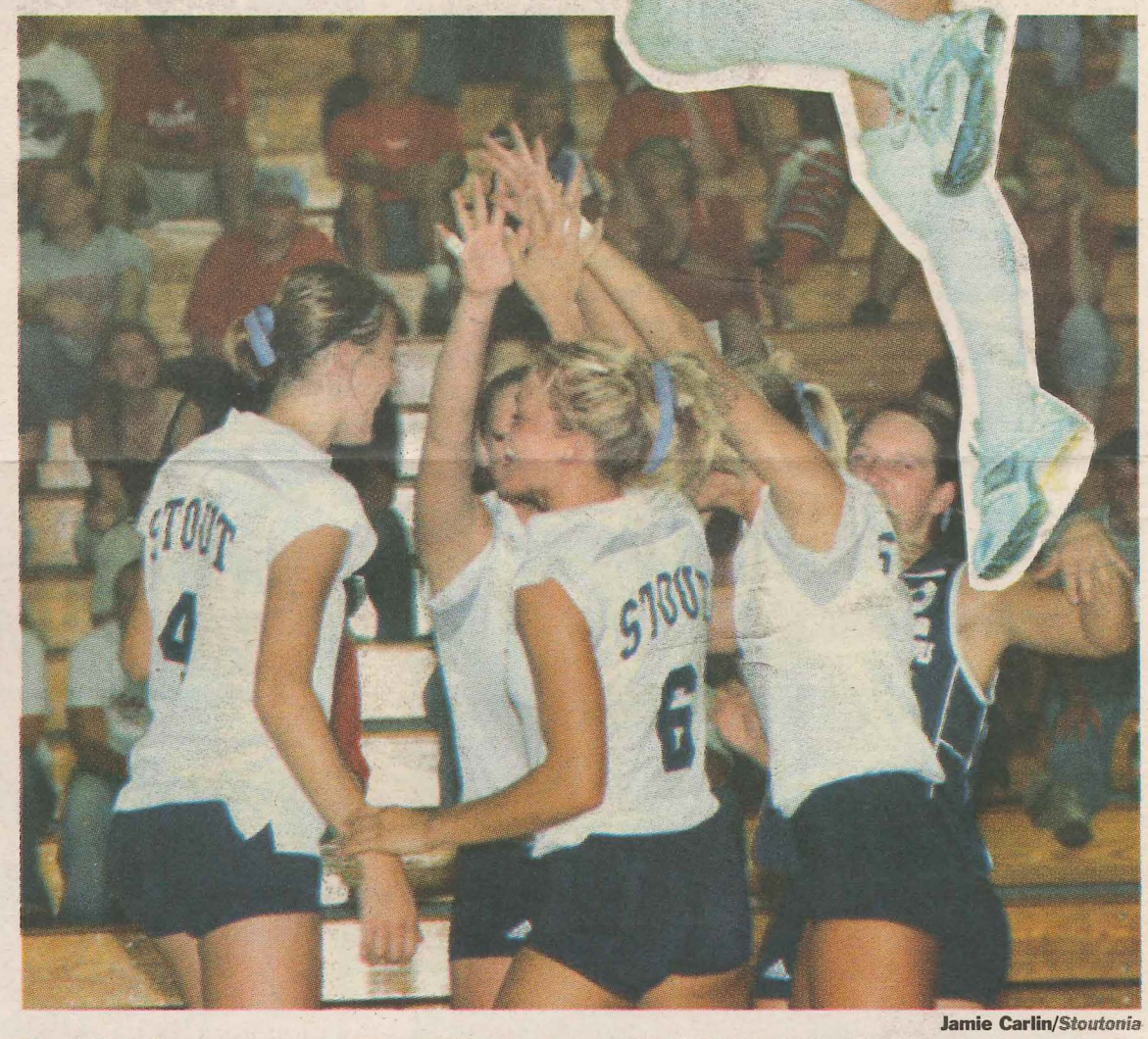
The Blue Devils follow those matches with a tournament at UW-Platteville.

Although UW-Stout has its toughest matches to come, the team is confident that they can succeed.

"We enter each game knowing that our opponents have to beat us," said Heger. "We play only to win...not to lose."

The group of confident, talented seniors who play for the Blue Devils have the bar set very high for this season. Many of the girls are remaining focused on conference play, but with nationals being held in Rochester, Minn., it is hard to avoid the thought.

"Winning a NCAA Championship could happen," said Hartwig. "We set our goals high, and with the girls we have this year... anything is possible."



Jamie Carlin/*Stoutonia*

The volleyball team celebrates after scoring in a game against UW-River Falls. The team is off to an impressive start this season. The Blue Devils hold a record of 11-2 and are ranked 16th in the nation.

Stout clashes with Titans in opener

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Coming off a 23-0 victory over DePauw University followed by a week of rest, the University of Wisconsin-Stout's football team prepares for its home opener.

The Blue Devils dominated in the game against DePauw, giving head coach Todd Strop his first win as head coach.

Senior Nick Ohman had a good performance with a game high of 116 yards rushing and 216 yards passing. UW-Stout lead after the first half 3-0 and then in the second half put 20 more points on the board.

However, game one is in the past. This upcoming weekend, UW-Stout's football team is hosting the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. Past games between the Blue Devils and the Titans have been close.

UW-Oshkosh has played three games this season and has a record of 3-0. It is the first Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference game of the season for both teams.

The Blue Devils game against the Titans has become a small rivalry.

Both teams have traded off wins for the past four seasons. Oshkosh holds the all-time record by six games.

When the teams faced off last year, the Blue Devils had just suffered a hardship earlier in the week. There was a car accident that took tailback Ryan Englebert and wide reciever Matt Sprester out for the season. The Titans won the contest 15-7.

"We are going to let Nick open things up," said Strop. "We want to see what he has to offer."

Strop also mentioned the importance of having the quarterback stay in control, yet try new things, otherwise the defense will catch on and have an edge over the offense.

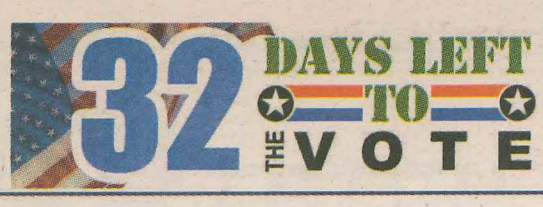
UW-Stout returns veterans this year that are going to help the lines. Seth Mattison will be a key asset for the Blue Devils.

Mattison averaged 20.3 yards per catch as wide receiver last season. Jesse Wendt will also help at the position of wide receiver. Wendt averaged 17.4 yards per catch last season and scored one touchdown.

The season is full of good games that are coming up. The Homecoming game will be played on Oct. 16 when the Blue Devils host the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Another big home game for UW-Stout is the matchup between close rival the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

The Blugolds are 2-0 overall and the game against the Blue Devils could be a big showdown later in the season.

The game between the Blue Devils the and Titans starts at 1 p.m. at Williams stadium. It also can be heard on WMEQ 880 AM.



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Making the decision on your future

Jay Fish, Brad Birling/*Stoutonia*

Jenny Marquardt, a sophomore in early childhood education is questioning which way to vote. Many students have trouble deciphering politics to find out facts to base their vote.

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

By now, every student on campus has seen the New Voters Project; signing students up to vote, and many have taken the opportunity to sign up. Voting is the right of the citizen, and this year many are taking up the responsibility.

After signing up, many students walk away wondering exactly who they will vote for and if the person they are thinking of will really represent them in the government.

The Stout Student Association is in place partially to be a liaison between the state government, University of Wisconsin System, and University of Wisconsin – Stout students.

Legislative Affairs Director Sean Peter has the job of making sure that UW-Stout students are represented to government officials that make the decisions affecting us. Because of this, Peter created a non-partisan website backed up by the SSA, designed to educate students on the stances that candidates take, so they can make educated decisions on November 2.

"I tried to make it as interactive as possible so that [students] could also go and find their own information," said Peter.

The website covers all candidates from presidential to local government. Along with information compiled, there are links to give people more information about specific candidates, issues, and even video and audio streams of speeches.

"It shows how the candidate voted on NAFTA, and then I have integrated a link that explains what NAFTA is, so [students] can find out why it is important," said Peter.

A significant amount of time has been invested into this project since the beginning of the year, to insure that students are able to come up with the information they need to be educated voters. Also included in the website is information regarding why issues are important and what the issues actually are, so that voters can clear up catch phrases with real knowledge.

The UW System and the SSA do not take a political stance in the government, but urge students to make the choices they think will best benefit them.

The SSA candidate and voting information page can be found at http://ssa.uwstout.edu/04elections/04election.htm

Even though the presidential election is an important decision for the entire nation, local politics have a much greater impact on students at UW-Stout.

Peter is also working to secure a debate on campus between candidates Joe Plouff (D) and Andy Lamb (R), the candidates for the state assembly from the 29th district. The successful candidate will be responsible for representing the area around and including UW-Stout in the state assembly, making the decisions of the successful candidate more relevant to students than even the presidential candidates.

Political groups on campus have also been making their voices heard, trying to sway students to vote for the candidate of their choice, through the posting of signs, and hosting events.

College Democrats will be hosting a gathering on Thursday, Oct. 1, at 8 p.m. to show the televised first debate between President George W. Bush and opponent John Kerry. The group has been posting signs around campus with statements pertaining to why students should vote for John Kerry.

College Republicans have been blanketing the campus and area with material supporting President Bush, making Bush/Cheney signs much more common amongst dorm windows than any other signs.

Sweeping changes are currently taking place in the state legislature, since a new senate majority leader, Scott Fitzgerald, has taken the place of Mary Panzer and is pushing for the state to become more fiscally conservative. This change comes at a time when Wisconsin's St. Croix County is the fastest growing county in the nation, and Wisconsin is the sixth highest state in property tax rates.

"The key people to look at is the state senate and assembly if [students] are concerned about tuition," said Peter.

STD a concern for students

By Jesse Young
News Writer

It is common knowledge that sex is a part of college life. College is a great way to meet people and to create relationships. Some students here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout have promiscuous sex with many partners. Some even have sex without protection.

Sex comes with responsibility, and some are not taking that responsibility seriously and are spreading diseases. That is why a recent study found that one out of four people will have a sexually transmitted disease.

STDs are communicable diseases transmitted by sexual intercourse or genital contact. They include HIV/AIDS, Gonorrhea, Chlamydia, Syphilis and Chancroid.

Many students were shocked to hear the news that one out of four students could have an STD.

"It's absolutely disgusting, morally it's not my deal, and it's unacceptable," said Anna Vinje, a sophomore in hotel, restaurant and tourism management.

This attitude is very common among the students who prefer not to have to worry

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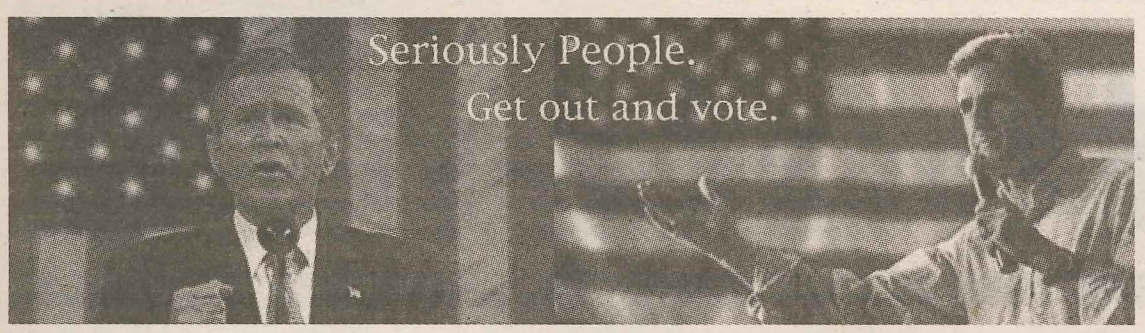

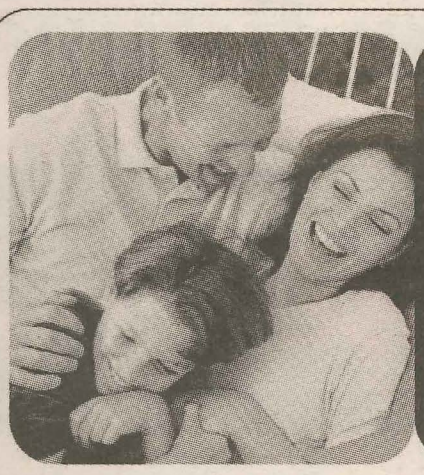

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The Bush administration has decided not to appeal the decision to protect the sale and consumption of hemp food products in the U.S. This reverses the previous ban on hemp food products, allowing them in the U.S. "Removing the cloud the DEA put into the marketplace will spur a dramatic surge in the supply and consumption of health omega-3 rich hemp seed in America," said David Bronner, chair of Hemp Industries Association Food and Oil Committee. The HIA has stated that hemp foods will not interfere with workplace drug tests because U.S. hemp food companies voluntarily observe reasonable THC limits on their products.

A series of monthly presentations presented by the University of Wisconsin-Stout and the Stout Technology Park will be held one Friday each month in room 201 of Millenium Hall. The presentations, titled Tech Talk Business Briefings, will be for regional employers to share their information regarding innovations in their area of business and industry.

A recent study by the Wisconsin Medical Society has shown that African-americans are at much greater risk for maternal death than whites. Women who died during pregnancy and up to one year after were studied from 1998 through 2001, during which 23 women died as a result of pregnancy or complications. African-Americans had a mortality rate of 34.84 for every 100,000 live births and whites had a mortality rate of only 5.03 for every 100,000 live births.

The eighth annual Mind, Body and Spirit conference will be held at UW-Stout Oct. 22-24. The main theme this year will be healing the whole person. Cost for the conference is $95 through Oct. 8, and $105 after that date.

The U.S. Geological survey has issued a volcanic activity advisory for the area around and including Mt. St. Helens. Recent findings have shown that a small to moderate volcanic activity is possible.

SpaceShipOne, a manned vehicle designed to enter space briefly with the assist of a jet aircraft, achieved a maximum altitude of 67 miles on Wednesday morning, beating the 1963 record of the military X-15. SpaceShipOne is a part of the Ansari X contest for $10 million, being held to research methods of possible civilian space flight.

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□bout such things when getting intim□te

"I believe th□t more should be done for the upcoming freshmen, bec□use they □re more n□ive □nd susceptible to f□lling into the new freedoms of □dult life," s□id D□nni L□rson, □ sophomore in hum□n development □nd f□mily studies.

M□ny students □t UW-Stout do not know of the problems th□t c□n occur with sex.

"There seems to be □ lot of sm□ll-town □ttitudes tow□rds sex," s□id M□tt McNutt, □freshm□n in psychology. "They're not used to not knowing people's p□st sexu□ rel□tions."

Sexu□lly Tr□nsmitted Dise□ses c□n be prevented. Prevention is □ must with sex □mong young □dults. Condoms □re just one w□y prevention c□n t□ke pl□ce. Yet some do not use them.

"Guys should □w□ys we□r condoms," s□id Geoff Schruth, □sophomore in e□rly childhood educ□tion. "We should be told th□t uns□fe sex is un□cceptable."

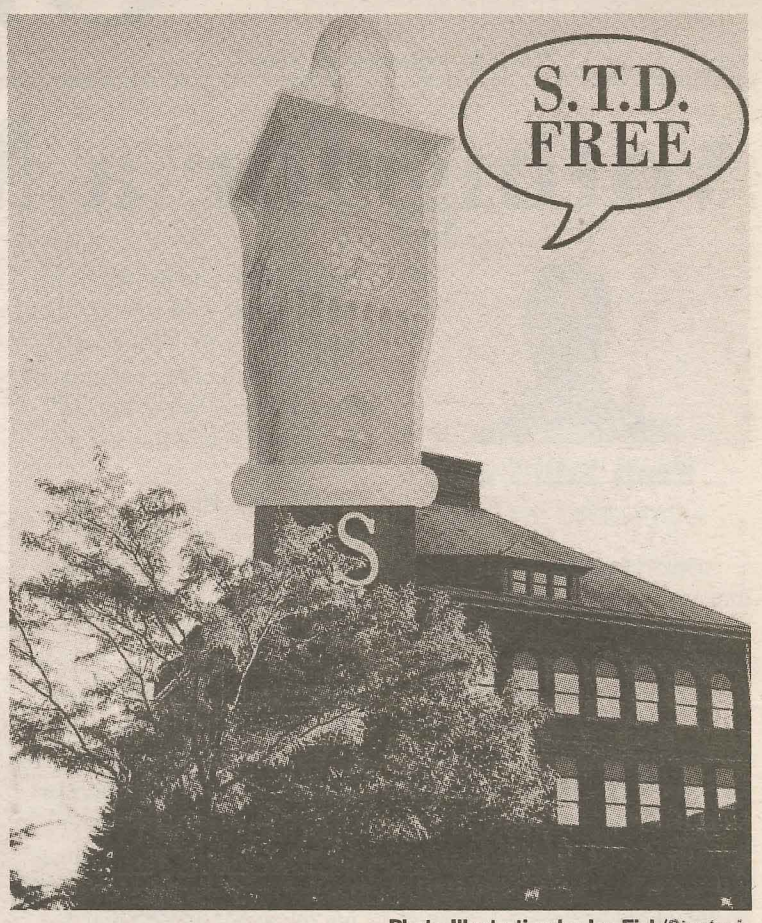
Some students □lso will not get tested bec□use they either don't know they h□ve □n STD or they don't w□nt to know. These selfish □cts □re some of the c□uses of the recent outbre□k.

UW-Stout's Student He□lth Services offers confidenti□ STD testing □nd counseling to □nyone who h□s h□d unprotected sex or h□s □ny other re□son to believe they m□y h□ve come in cont□ct with STDs. A test will cost $28 to $48 □t Student He□lth Services. Condoms c□n be purch□sed for $3 per dozen.

"There □re no other □ctivities □round here to do," s□id Br□d Bond, □junior in technology educ□tion. "All [students] do is go to p□rties, drink □nd h□ve sex."

"The community should chip in with other □ctivities □nd the school should h□ve better sexu□ educ□tion cl□sses □v□il□ble to the students here," s□id Bond.

Some students think th□t the school only h□s □ few progr□ms discussing the problems of STDs □nd □ll they do is h□nd out condoms. But □lso, drinking could pl□y □ m□jor p□rt in the high r□te of STDs. Some people will p□ss on using protection while intoxic□ted bec□use their judgement is off.



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Voting for a Muppet or a Monkey

Staff Editorial
as written by Curt Trnka

Once every four years important events happen. Supposedly people graduate from college in four years, but that doesn't always happen. You'd like to think that stinky guy you sit next to in class showers more than once every four years, but it doesn't smell like it.

So obviously this pattern of linear thinking brings one to the presidential election.

Don't feel bad if you didn't see that coming.

As the election creeps up on us poor, deadline-beating, free-time-loving college students, our staff wondered what exactly are we looking for in a presidential candidate?

If it's good-looking men, you are probably going to be let down. George W. Bush proves we are descendents of monkeys, and John Kerry looks like a human Muppet.

Now if you are looking for one Democrat and one Republican spewing out overly rehearsed responses to meaningful questions, prepare to be politically tickled silly.

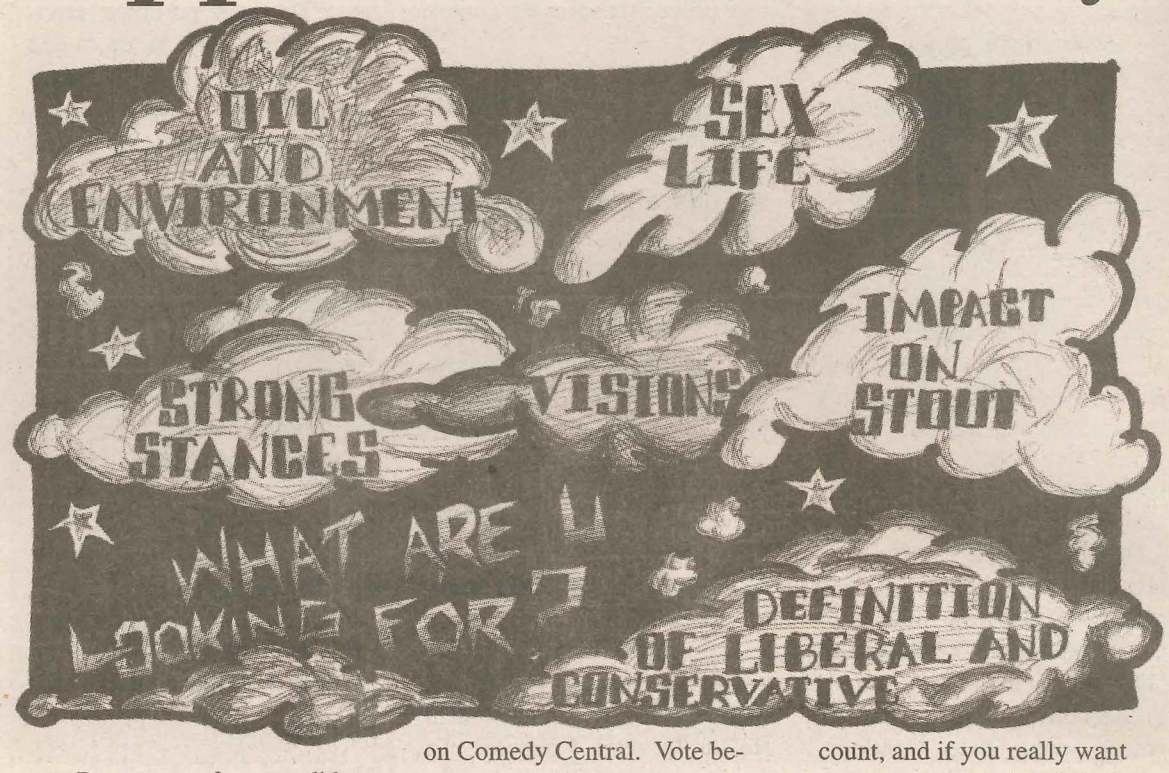
Where does Monkey Man stand on oil and the environment? Is his stance really that much worse than Muppet Man's? Will either candidate take a stance on the issues? Or even a single issue at the debates?

We can all say that Bush is for this and Kerry is for that, but in both cases it's not likely that we will really know until well after the election.

Try to list off where each candidate stands on the issues that are important to you. Do you care about oil, abortion, the environment, gay marriage or the ever popular tax issues?

It's important for younger generations to be heard. Assuming the world doesn't end, we are going to have to run it in the future, so it's important to make our voices heard.

Right now is the time to get excited about being old enough to vote. Expose yourself to this every fourth year opportunity, and go with what you feel is best when you vote.



Do not vote for a candidate because your mom and dad want you to. Vote because you took a couple of minutes to find out where Kerry and Bush stand on issues. Vote because you watched The Daily Show on Comedy Central. Vote because you talked to your mom, dad, instructors or friends, and they had real reasons to vote for a candidate.

Vote.

Do not take for granted the privilege to have your vote count, and if you really want your vote to count, look into moving to Florida.

And just because we have the time and resources (15 minutes and the internet, respectively), we looked up the definitions of liberal and conservative.

Definitions of parties

Straight from the dictionary definitions

lib·er·al *adj*
1. tolerant of different views and standards of behavior in others
2. favoring gradual reform, especially political reforms that extend democracy, distribute wealth more evenly, and pro tect the personal freedom of the individual
3. generous with money, time, or some other asset
4. large in size or amount
5. not limited to the literal meaning in translation or interpretation
6. concerned with general cultural matters and broadening of the mind rather than professional or technical study

lib·er·al *n*
somebody who favors tolerance or reform

con·ser·va·tive *adj*
1. in favor of preserving the status quo and traditional values and customs, and against abrupt change
2. associated with, characteristic of, or displaying conservatism
3. cautiously moderate and therefore often less than the final outcome
4. conventional or restrained in style and avoiding showiness
5. designed to help relieve symptoms or preserve health with a minimum of medical intervention

con·ser·va·tive *n*
1. somebody who is reluctant to consider new ideas or accept change
2. somebody who supports the doctrine or beliefs of conservatism

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A quote made up my mind

Aleshia Brouwer
Columnist

During a speech in New York City just one month ago, former mayor Rudy Giuliani shared his challenging thoughts on leadership.

"Leaders need to be optimists. Their vision is beyond the present, and it's set on a future of real peace and security."

I pondered over that thought for some time. Many of my courses and involvement here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout have pushed me to seek out the leader within myself. But being an optimist with a vision?

I've never been much of an optimist; I'm much more of a "glass is half empty" kind of person. This quote struck me, though.

Giuliani's quote is referring to George W. Bush's leadership in the war on terrorism, but why would anybody be optimistic about a war?

I don't like war. I don't even like fistfights. I felt sick during *Fight Club*. But is it true that Bush is envisioning something beyond what we're seeing while sitting on the floor in front of our television screens?

I've questioned the war many times myself. Above all though, I believe in basic human rights.

I believe that little kids should have the chance to attend school. I believe that women should be able to walk outside of their own homes without being beaten or stoned. I believe that everyone should be given the chance to wake up in the morning without fear.

Sometimes we have to sacrifice ourselves for a greater good. This summer I worked at a non-profit organization that exists solely to help the homeless. I sacrificed a job with a big paycheck and furnished housing for the opportunity to work with an organization that is changing lives – I suppose I was seeing a vision for a greater cause.

Which brings me back to Giuliani's quote. Bush is seeing beyond the present, focusing on a strong future.

As the soldiers in Iraq are coming back from the war, their stories vary from what we are all used to hearing. Even MTV ran a quick feature on a soldier who said he was surprised that nobody here knew about what was going on in Iraq besides all of the fighting. He went on to show pictures of new schools and children who could go to school for the first time.

Additionally, Iraqi citizens can now register to vote – including, for the first time, women. I'm no feminist, but that is incredible.

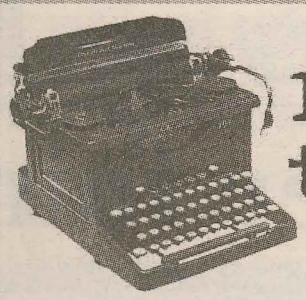
I would like to believe that I could see the good beyond today. We owe the heros of 9/11 at least that much. September 11 changed our nation forever – that's just reality. We're naïve to set our policies as though it never happened.

Bush is a leader with a vision of a peaceful future, not only in Iraq, but here at home as well. Bush cares about local health care, independent social security funds for our future retirement, new alternative energy plans and the "no child left behind" educational program.

Kerry says he cares about the environment, yet his wife has over $1 million invested in the retail giant Wal-Mart, a store that builds on environmentally protected land.

Cheney might have old stocks in Halliburton, but Edwards has stock in several defense contractors including Lockheed Martin, United Technologies, General Electric, British Petroleum and General Dynamics: all bought and sold during the buildup and aftermath of the war in Iraq.

I'll never agree with everything any one politician does. I do however have confidence that Bush is a president who sees beyond his popularity and who not only cares about American citizens, but the citizens of the world as well.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be turned in by 5:00p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

A reply to 451

I would just like state my disappointment in the reply to the 451 article. I truely resent the fact that you both catagorized freshman as sad and lazy. Apparently many of the freshman that were interviewed for this article were too lazy to read the 173 pages we were assigned to read this summer, that doesn't mean that all of this year's incoming freshman are lazy.

Granted, I wasn't too thrilled about having a reading assignment during my last summer with my high school friends before college, but once I bought the book and read it, I was glad it was assigned to us.

I for one thoroughly enjoyed the book and many of the freshman that I am now friends with DID read the book and most of them did enjoy it.

I really enjoy reading the Stoutonia and am open to hearing the opinions of others, but as a freshman I feel the need to stick up for those of us who do have the will to do a little reading.

Alexandra Etzel
UW-Stout Student

You want help drinking?

I hit your website the other day while browsing for college newspaper articles. While the key objective of my current work is to evaluate whether college newspapers present unbiased reporting on key political issues, I find myself distracted at times by other headlines, the most recent of which was the article published on your website, entitled, "We drink, and we'd like some help".

On it's face, the article is legitimately a representation of free speech - indisputably a good thing. However, the message troubled me beyond description, and indicated to me how far down in the hole have fallen the morals and social values of our young people.

The message was: we "enjoy getting drunk"; we have no shame about it; we have no intention of stopping it; and we demand that you (not sure who "who" is) provide us with whatever it takes to ensure that we don't suffer, or inflict upon innocent victims, the consequences of our irresponsible and illegal behavior.

The article's author(s) take for granted that readers themselves were once upon a time drunken college students. I speak for an entire generation when I say that we never believed our lawlessness deserved validation, nor did we expect that someone else should shelter us from the consequences of our own careless exploits.

I expect that there will be a flood of mail expressing outrage and concern much like mine, and hope that at least one such "freedom of expression" makes it to the next or subsequent publication of your student newspaper.

Damyan Prout
Indianapolis, IN

Mr. Prout,

Thank you for writing in with your concerns and interesting point of view.

I was one of the authors of last week's editorial, and I stand behind our work. It was not a piece that I will look back on with pride in 20 years.

At the time it was written, it was the best job I could do to compile the different viewpoints that were discused in our weekly production meeting.

Our many concerns about drinking while at college ranged from transportation for those too drunk to drive, to questions of why some groups draw the ire of police more than others.

And as for who "who" is, thanks for pointing out that I haven't quite mastered English, even though I write editorials.

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

Representing CRs

I am the Co-President of the UW-Stout College Republicans. I would like to clarify that I do not intend on using the newspaper as a platform for communicating between our club and the College Democrats (CD's).

However, I do feel that the other side of last week's "Debate" article needs to be addressed.

Last week there was an article printed in which the writer was clearly confused and/or misinformed. First off, the CD's did propose a debate between the clubs: but, that was during finals week, the spring semester 2004. Our club found it to be ill timed, so we graciously declined.

However, I, have not been approached with that offer. But, "Shawn Peters" was cited as their source in last week's article. Ironically, there is not a Shawn Peters in the UW-Stout directory. But, there is a Shawn Peter who has attended our meetings this year but is not on the executive board, therefore, using him as a reference would be fallible.

However, if the President of the CD's propositioned a debate to me, I would decline his offer. That is because the citizens are voting for the candidates in November, not our club's, therefore, we need to inform the students of the candidates ideal's, not the clubs.

Merely having our clubs banter back and forth seems to be lacking the purpose that we strive for. As a result, we have Andy Lamb and Senator Dale Schultz standing by, ready to debate Representative Joe Plouff and Congressman Ron Kind (respectively). Ironically, it is Plouff and Kind who ignore the challenge.

The CR's are offended that we were misrepresented and publicly disgraced without due cause. Not to mention, I find it hard to envision a "good healthy debate" with incorrectly referencing, name-callers. So, let's try to pursue diversity, not division.

Rebecca Werner,
CR Co-President

Being an adult

In response to Mr. Spraggon's column, I would like to draw attention to a few points. Mr. Spraggon is obviously ignorant of Republicans in general and the College Republicans in particular, and I would like to set the record straight.

First, he refers to the CRs as "girlie men" which, aside from being culturally insensitive and entirely juvenile, is an implication that all of the CRs are men. This is wholly inaccurate. Many of the regular attendees at CR meetings are women, and there are two women on the CR board. There are also many women in the Republican Party as a whole.

Second, Mr. Spraggon states that Republicans "claim to have God" on our side. I firmly believe that everyone has the right to express their religious beliefs, whether or not Mr. Spraggon agrees with them.

However, contrary to Mr. Spraggon's assumption, not all Republicans are Christians. I am a conservative for economic reasons, not personal or social ones. My political affiliation has nothing to do with any religion or lack thereof. I am a moderate, and I am certainly not the only one.

Finally, Mr. Spraggon called us cowards being too busy to debate last semester, when the only time they were willing to do it was a week or two before finals. I would have thought that, given the proximity to finals, our reasons for turning down the debate were obvious.

I will also remind Mr. Spraggon that not all of our lives revolve around UW-Stout. As a non-traditional student, I have priorities that far outweigh anything going on at Stout. Having priorities is not cowardice, Mr. Spraggon--it is being an adult.

Christina Bridston
CR Secretary

To both CR board memebers,

Glad to see you are still reading our campus newspaper, even though we have very few columnists currently supporting conservative stances.

Ms. Werner, am I to understand, that you have obtained the services of United States representatives and congressmen, just weeks before an election, to come to our campus and debate for all of our student body?

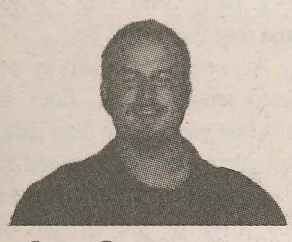
If that is the case, thank you for such a great showing of effort. Since it is crunch time for campaigning, I would assume all parties' involved would be spending there time elsewhere.

Lastly, please remember that our columnists are only expressing concerns based on their opinions. Not all of the Stoutonia feels that the CRs are "girlie men."

I'd also like to add that "girlie men" is a phrase that California's Republican Governator, Arnold Schwarzenegger, first used in an official speach to supporters.

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

A real education. You gotta want it.



Joe Spraggon
Columnist

I was crying the other night. I'm not ashamed to say that I was alone, in my room, crying.

Frustration mainly is what it was all about. You see Tim's article last week hit a nerve with me. All the bits about "Pavlovian dogs" really brought out ideas that I had at one point and forgot. Tim brought them back. Thanks Tim.

What I speak of are thoughts of imposed order, of industrialized assembly line theories applied to our lives, specifically through education.

When I started back at college in the fall of 1998, the campus did not have recipe cards for my education as it does now. There was a sheet of suggested class layout, but not as it is now for the freshmen.

Currently it seems as if the powers that be simply want to shuffle students in and out as quickly as possible. The administration is always striving for faster, more efficient means of education; a standardization of education. As a future teacher, I find this a bit disturbing.

Pink Floyd sang, "Welcome my son, welcome to the machine."

"What did you dream? It's alright, we told you what to dream."

Does the system educate us or merely train us? What role do we have in this process ourselves? I've had a great amount of training at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. I cannot deny this. However, I feel that much of the actual learning I have managed to accomplish has been extracurricular.

I bug, annoy and pester the crap out of my professors. Initially this was defiant in nature; I was a jerk.

Eventually, after getting kicked out of a class, this behavior evolved into a way of bonding with my instructors. Basically I became more respectful, and I found that I could gain unique insight into the class.

Much of this insight occurred outside of class in a professor's office, over lunch or walking down the hall.

Instructors and I would talk about anything from art to how much fun it can be to go several days without smoking simply to feel that buzz again. My point is that things like this do not occur in the classroom.

Professors spend so much time covering "important" material, things that are on standardized tests, that other types of wisdom are simply sacrificed to the god of efficiency.

Did you know the majority of our founding fathers were not Christian but instead Deist? I didn't until one of these "office hours" conversations. Things like this escape us without our knowing it.

This is what I find frustrating: knowledge that we never scrape the surface of, simply so that we can figure out how a lesson plan conforms to a state standard or what information we need to pass test X.

So how do we fit into this world of the machine? Are we told what to dream, and how does this style of education affect us? I believe that, in a sense, we are processed cogs.

In our courses, many of us are told how to act in a "professional" way. We become gears, interchangeable with our peers. I feel this is the majority of what happens in our classrooms.

We are often pushed to memorize specific bits of trivia, regurgitate and repeat. Actual learning is something we have to push ourselves for.

More than an average career fair

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

Even though some days may not seem like it, everything a student does while attending the University of Wisconsin-Stout is in preparation for a future career. Whether it be joining an organization, attending classes or late night study sessions, the ultimate goal is to become a competitive prospect for future open positions.

In attempt to aid students with this goal, Stout Career Services is hosting its annual Career Conference on Wednesday, Oct. 6 and Thursday, Oct. 7. Students of all majors, class standings and interests are invited, and in fact, encouraged, to participate in this two-day event.

The Career Conference is coordinated and run by a group of students that are committed to the success of the conference and wish to benefit from building relationships with potential employers.

"By the time an employer gets from their car to their booth, they've already interacted with a half-dozen students or so," said LaMont Meinen, director of Career Services.

"Over 100 students are involved with everything from transporting employers from a parking lot to the student center to marketing for the Career Conference ahead of time."

Beginning in June, Career Services begins sending invitations to over 3,000 potential employers in an attempt to get a diverse range of companies to attend. The employers that are invited come from a variety of means, including the Career Services database of past attendees, companies that have hired UW-Stout students in the past or had intern students in the past. Potential employer attendees may also come from suggestions of advisory committees or program directors.

"Some students complain about the selection of companies attending the Career Conference," said Meinen. "I wish we could tell employers to come, but we can't. It's all voluntary."

Career Services and the student committee strive to make the Career Conference beneficial for students in all grade levels.

"The great thing is that this is a Career Conference, not a Career Fair," said McKenzie Studer, student coordinator for the Career Conference and a senior in general business. "At the Career Conference, undecided freshmen can come and ask potential employers everything from 'Is G.P.A. important?' to 'Should I learn Spanish?' Sophomores and juniors can come to find an internship, and seniors and graduate students can come to find a job. A Career Fair would just be for the latter group looking for a job soon."

Students from other universities are welcome to come with the agreement that UW-Stout students can go to other universities' career conferences, as well.

http://www.uwstout.edu/careers/careerco.shtml

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's annual Career Conference is taking place Wednesday, Oct. 6 and Thursday, Oct. 7. Rather than being a career fair, it is a place where students can ask employers questions.

Career Services also encourages faculty and staff to attend the conference. Employers like to hear about what students are learning, and it may be a great way for professors to gain interesting guest speakers for courses they teach.

After each annual Career Conference, employers and students have the ability to give feedback. According to Career Services, the biggest complaint from employers last year was the way students dressed.

"Students don't have to wear a suit," said Zak Germo, student marketing coordinator for the Career Conference. "Just don't wear the ripped jeans and dirty t-shirt."

Career Services, along with the student committee, has published a variety of documentation of what students should do before, during and after the Career Conference. There are also sample questions for employers, resume advice and a list of companies attending with corresponding Web addresses available at http://www.uwstout.edu/career/careerco.html.

Some quick tips include knowing what you want from the Career Conference and how much time you have available to get it. Try choosing your top six companies and making sure you get to those booths first. Also, have your resume prepared ahead of time and research companies you're most interested in.

"Don't be intimidated by the employers," said Studer. "Just be professional and prepared."

Also, some employers may be coming for a specific reason. If you're interested in the company and they are not looking specifically for your major or intended career position, ask them how you can contact someone at their company that would be interested in hiring someone in your field of study.

"Students are invited to attend the Career Conference both days," said Meinen. "The reason it's split into two is because of the size of the venue, but I would encourage students to come not only to the day listed for their major but the other as well."

DIAL floor integrates diversity in the dorms

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

A community of 60 students may seem to have little in common with each other, but on one dorm floor, they are all there for the same reason—to experience diversity.

For a second year, students of diverse background, age, sexual orientation and other walks of life have come together on third Curran and third Kranzusch.

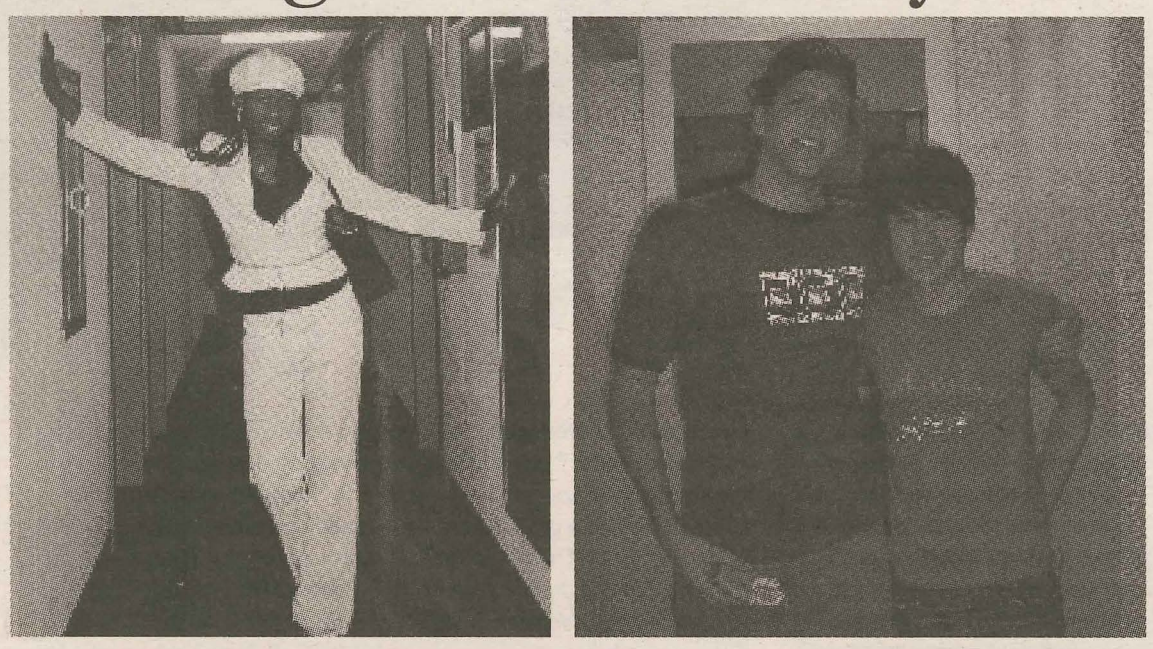
The Diversity Integrated with Academics and Leadership floors (DIAL) are showing a positive effect on learning and communication among students.

"You can see the students interacting with people they never would have interacted with before," said DIAL RA Brandon Jutz.

Robert Martin, a non-traditional student majoring in vocational rehabilitation, says he feels relaxed and welcome on the DIAL floor.

"The floor allows me to be myself," said Martin. "The people around here are very open-minded."

Collin Pueschner, a sophomore in multimedia design, says he enjoys interacting with unique individuals. Last year he enjoyed helping an introverted Korean student get to know other students and develop a new level of comfort on campus.



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

The DIAL floors, located on third floor Curran and Kranzusch, are floors dedicated to supporting minority students and exposing those that are part of the predominant culture to a more diverse environment.

"I feel relieved that I can experience diversity at school," said Pueschner.

Martha Vang, an undecided sophomore, is a Hmong-American living on the DIAL floor this year. She speaks a variety of languages including Japanese, Chinese, French and Latin. Vang lived on the DIAL floor last spring and says she will return next year.

The DIAL floors hold special activities and events. Last year DIAL students participated in personality tests, went to the ropes course, heard to a Latino speaker talk about her culture and went to see a play at the Penumbra Theatre in the Twin Cities. They also hold study activities to foster educational success, and they plan communication activities for additional enrichment and support for students.

"We have resiliency group discussions: the students talk about everything they've been through and how they have adapted to changes in their lives," said Katherine Hoogenraad, the RA on the women's floor.

DIAL also organized last year's Religious Diversity Panel Series, which won Diversity Event of the Month at chapter, state and regional levels. A more extensive religious diversity event is planned for this year.

DIAL events and activities are open to all students with the exception of study activities. Any student can sign up to reside on DIAL floors.

"It'd be nice if there was a DIAL hall," said Jutz. "I hope some day there will be."

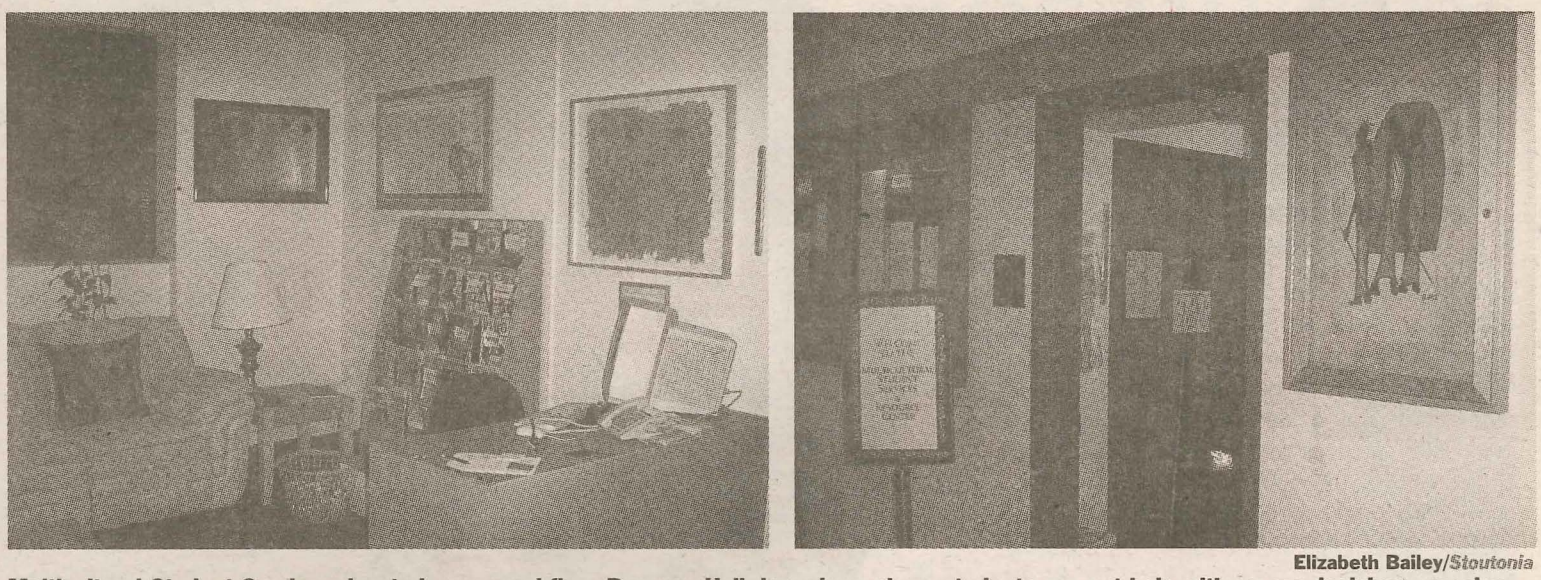
According to a survey conducted among DIAL floor students last year, more than half of respondents strongly agreed that the program met their expectations. Five or six women and roughly seven or eight men have returned to the DIAL floors this year.

Ryan Knotts, CKTO hall director and Mary Riordan, former Student Support Services director proposed the DIAL program in December of 2002, in response to low retention of minority and international students. The goal of the program is to provide underrepresented students with support and the resources they need for success, while giving the predominant culture preparation for our diverse society.

A place where cultures come together and expand knowledge

Multicultural Student Services offer students a place to do work, receive advice and relate to other students

By Marta Peters
Student Life Writer



Elizabeth Bailey/Stoutonia

Multicultural Student Services, located on second floor Bowman Hall, is a place where students can get help with career decisions, receive tutoring and are offered leadership opportunities. Comfortable couches and computers are available for anyone to use.

Look around at the campus of the University of Wisconsin-Stout, and one sees many people of different nationalities and cultures. Look even further into the second floor of Bowman Hall to find Multicultural Student Services. It's a place where all of those cultures are able to come together and expand not only their own, but other people's knowledge about diversity, as well.

"Multicultural Student Services allows students to come and to be able to relate to other students," said Cedric Galbreath, a business administration junior.

Ethnicity or nationality doesn't matter, anyone is welcome at the office. Services provided are numerous, ranging from help with career decisions to tutoring to leadership opportunities.

The office is currently going through some major changes, with the biggest being the retirement of Mary Riordan, the former advisor. However, there are still many people who are involved in making the office a success.

"Currently there are two advisors, a program assistant, a graduate assistant and several work-study students," said Kathy Baerg, an advisor for the Multicultural Student Services. "We are expecting to hire at least two more academic staff, including a new director."

Students who come into the Multicultural office can be seen working on resumes, doing homework or taking a nap on the couches provided in the sitting area within the office.

"I come in here everyday," said Lee Xiong, an applied science junior. "In a typical day, I mostly do my homework. I use the computers and type up papers or research for information on the net."

There are four computers located within the office for anyone who needs to use them, along with free printing services for academic purposes.

"Once you enter the door, on the left is one office," said Xiong. "As you keep on walking in, you enter what is like your own living room."

Beyond the couches and the computers are more offices with staff that are always willing to help in any way possible.

"We enjoy assisting students, typically multicultural students," said Janell Reitz, a program assistant.

During the week, the Multicultural Student Services office is full of students and staff who are always willing to help one another. It is clear to see that the people who pass through are motivated and use the resources that the office has to offer in the best ways possible.

Galbreath, for example, is hoping to start a co-ed multicultural fraternity within the next year. His purpose is to allow people from various multicultural backgrounds to have a common fraternity group where they will be able to expound on their heritage.

One result that comes from taking advantage of the services is the incredible friendships with a diverse group of people. Many of these friendships help build strong networks for later in life.

The appreciation for Multicultural Student Services is no doubt apparent through the faces and personalities of the students who take advantage of what the office has to offer.

"The staff has a smile on their faces every day," said Xiong.

If you'd like to learn more about Multicultural Student Services you may look on the Web at http://www.uwstout.edu/multicultural/, or simply visit the office on the second floor of Bowman Hall.

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Escape from the dining hall

Katie Bader
Student Life Writer

We all know cooking on our own isn't always easy. In fact, it can be pretty tough, and cooking in the dorms is practically impossible. But a college kid can't live on pizza and ramen alone. With a big appetite, no money, no time and a lack of cooking skills, what are we supposed to eat?

Commons and Tainter do provide delicious meals, but they still don't compare with Mom's home-cooked meals. So before you start eating cereal for breakfast, lunch, supper and the mid-night snack, find recipes, like the one below, for delicious, cheap, filling and healthy meals. Before you know it, you might be giving your Mom some tips.

Here is an easy, healthy dish from the book "4 Ingredient Cookbook." You just need a stove, a spatula, a skillet and a sharp knife. All of these utensils can be found at your dorms front desk. Priced at about $2.42 per serving, this meal is just right for any budget.

Hawaiian Chicken
Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook Time: 15 minutes
*1 teaspoon vegetable oil**
1 chicken breast, cut into 2-inch pieces
1 can (6 ounces) pineapple chunks and juice
¼ cup Lawry's Marinade Hawaiian Sauce
*1 green or red bell pepper, cut into chunks (optional)***

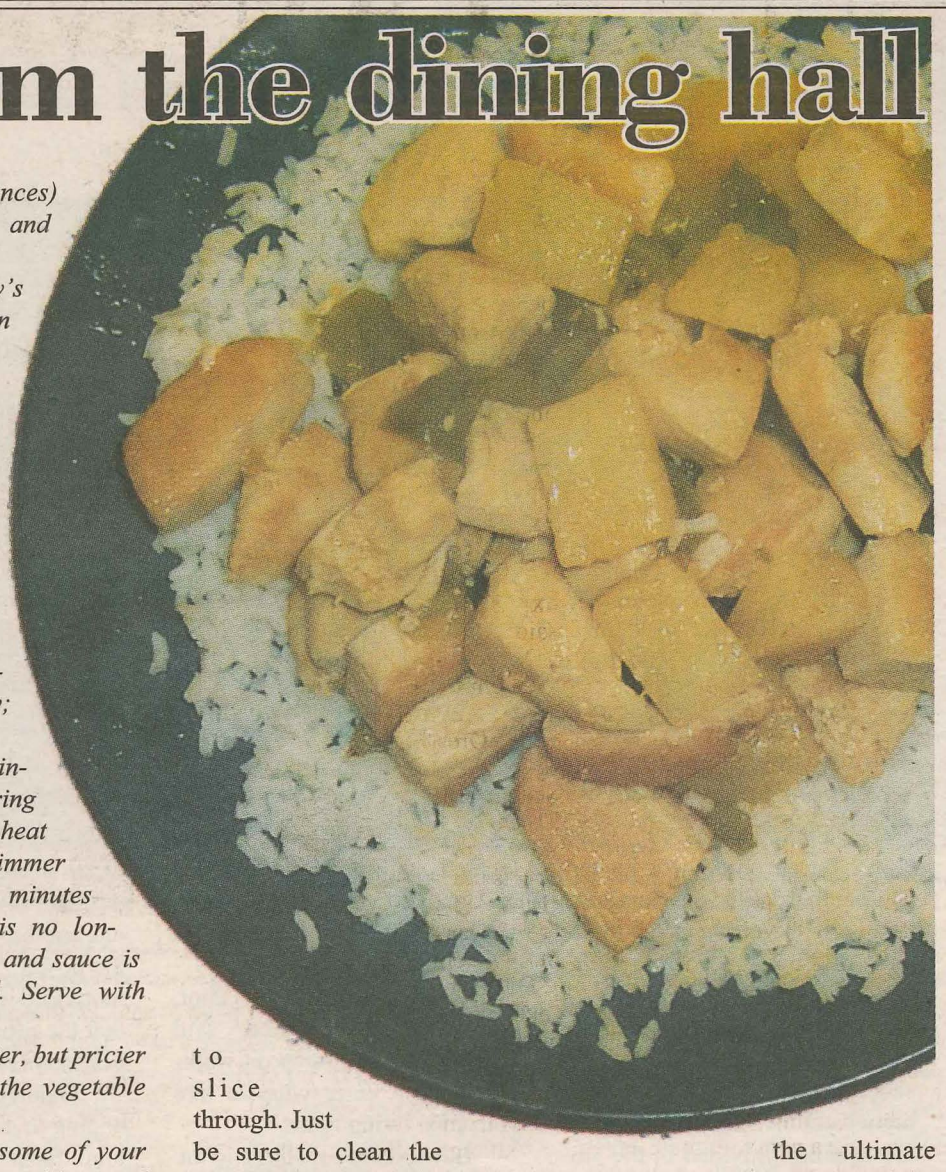
1. Heat oil in skillet over medium-high heat. Cook chicken breast until browned, stirring occasionally; drain.

2. Add remaining ingredients. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium-low; simmer (slow boil) 5 to 8 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink in center and sauce is slightly thickened. Serve with rice if desired.

**For a healthier, but pricier option, substitute the vegetable oil with olive oil.*

***To add in some of your daily needed vegetables and vitamins, substitute or add ¼ cup of frozen or fresh broccoli, carrots, onions or snap peas.*

Chicken Tip: Chicken does not come in packages of just one chicken breast, so the best way to extend the life of chicken is to freeze it. Before cooking, put in microwave for approximately two to three minutes or until it is soft enough to cut. This not only speeds up cooking time, but also makes the chicken breast easier to slice through. Just be sure to clean the cutting board and knife thoroughly to avoid salmonella.



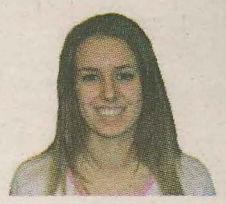
Keep in mind that dishes do not have to follow recipes exactly. Dishes may be as pungent or as dull as you would like. For example, if you love pineapple, add more pineapple. If you hate it, substitute some other citrus fruit, such as mandarin oranges. Be creative, and you will find you have a secret skill you never even knew you had.

This dish was then put to the ultimate test: it was tasted by other college students. I already knew how easy and tasty this meal is, but I had to make sure others felt the same.

"[I was] impressed by how all the different flavors combined and how tasty the meal was with only using four ingredients," said Teale Zetzman, a junior in vocational rehabilitation.

"It tastes like Hawaiian sunshine," said Tara Mont-gomery, a junior in dietetics.

Getting immature and letting down my hair



Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

After going a full month without having a single day in which I am not working or going to school, I decided I have had enough.

I thought I should be able to handle leading a boring, monotonous life containing no fun and no social life. I thought I was strong enough to keep going day after day, all the while spreading myself far too thin.

I am starting to realize I was very wrong.

I have resolved that it is time to bring some excitement to this life. Thursday will be the first semi-weekend night I will spend in Menomonie this school year.

I plan to party hard, bond with my roommates and make the rounds to see the friends I haven't been able to sacrifice any time for since last year.

Thursday will mark the day of my independence from the slavery I have put myself into.

I know I will always have high expectations of myself, but after this hectic month, I will try not to neglect the needs I didn't know I had; the need to break out and be a little immature and the need to let my hair down.

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>Thursday Night Out, 8 p.m., Rec. Center.
>Presidential Debate, Huff's, 8 p.m.
>Gallery Talk- From Yixing to Sanbo, Furlong gallery, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 1
>In Capable Hands, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., $7 students.
>Golf Scramble, Menomonie Golf and Country Club, 3 p.m., $7 students.

Saturday, Oct. 2
>Conrads John Orchestra, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., $8 students.
>Science Museum/ Mall of America, Depart from MSC at 9 a.m., 9 a.m.- 6 p.m., $10.
>Teague Alexi, Acoustic Café, 8 p.m., free.

Sunday, Oct. 3
>Eau Claire Chamber Orchestra, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $12 students.

Monday, Oct. 4
>Homecoming registations due, SOC Desk, 4:30 p.m.
>Comedy: Kyle Cease, Huff's, 8 p.m., $2.50/$5.

Tuesday, Oct. 5
No events scheduled

Wednesday, Oct. 6
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Thursday, Oct. 7
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Local band has star quality

Rachel Wick
Entertainment Writer

The Eau Claire based band, Orestus, has four key elements that are needed make a lasting impression on the local and mainstream music scene.

High-energy live shows, talented musicians, the love of music and dedicated fans.

Orestus consists of Mike "Odrok" Kording on vocals and keyboards, Mike "Spicy" Donaldson on rhythm guitar, Michael "Riff" Johnson on lead guitar, Jason "Swerlz" Ulwelling on bass guitar, Enrico "Chim Chim" Poehls on drums and Rob Zimmerman aka "DJ Sinestro" who has played with ICP and Run DMC on spinning and backup vocals.

Since forming in 2001, they have made a name for themselves on the local music scene in addition to playing several large-scale music festivals.

"There's nothing like the feeling of something that you created and no one else told you to do. I put my heart in every song I play," said Rico.

Orestus played its first major show at Milwaukee's Summer Fest in 2002. They earned the slot at the festival, after winning a Battle of the Bands in Eau Claire.

"It makes you never want to look back, you always want to shoot for that goal, playing on that big stage," said Rico.

Riff agrees. "It was probably our best experience."

Orestus also played at IGA Summer Jam last August in Eau Claire, opening for the likes of 3 Doors Down, Shinedown, Trapt and Seether.

"It's awesome playing with bigger bands because we stand on the side and watch what they do and how they get the crowd involved. It's a learning experience. Every show is a learning experience," said Odrok.

Most recently, on August 8, Orestus opened for Seven Mary Three at Sharky's Sports Bar and Grill located at 943 Harlem St. in Altoona.

courtesy of Mathew Fox

Orestus (from left: Enrico Poehls, Rob Zimmerman, Mike Kording, Mike Donaldson, Jason Ulwelling and Michael Johnson) hang around for a quick picture.

Orestus' sound can be described as a morphing of hard rock with hip-hop. Some fans have compared Odrok's intense vocals to Jonathan Davis from Korn.

Although, being lumped into a music category is a trap that Orestus is being careful not to fall into.

"The way to describe our music is whatever we want to write at the time is what we're going to write," said Odrok. "We don't really want to fall into a category."

So far Orestus has held strong to one major ideology, they will stay true to their sound.

"We want to do, what we want to do without being a meat puppet of somebody else. That cost is too high," said Spicy.

"We're not going to sellout, we're not going to change. We're just going to keep writing the way we want to write,"Odrok agrees.

So far this attitude hasn't seemed to have been a problem. Orestus has a large fan base ranging from teenagers to middle aged adults that pack bars to jump around, enjoy the music and witness the band's commanding stage presence.

"We've been lucky enough so far to have people that dig our sound the way it is, Swerlz said.

Some of the band's upcoming performances include a show at the Red Sea in Minneapolis on October 15 and at the 324 in La Crosse on October 29.

Orestus will play its annual Halloween show October 30 at Sharky's in Altoona.

"Halloween doesn't get celebrated the way that it should and we like to get a little raucous when that comes around," said Odrok.

Past Halloween shows featured the band streaked with fake blood, pumpkins being smashed by the crowd and the band alike, along with the crowd being sprayed with a mixture of pumpkin guts and fake blood.

In addition to Sharky's, Orestus has performed at other area venues such as the Stones Throw, the House of Rock and Mr. Heavy's.

The band concurs that Mr. Heavy's is one of their favorites.

"The cool thing about our crowds is that even though they will kick the crap out of each other, they will reach their hand down and lift them back up off the floor," said Odrok.

The band expects to release a full-length compact disc in the next few months to follow up the LP In Memory Of, but the actual release date is under wraps.

In Memory Of was released in August of 2003. The LP includes the songs S.O.P., Never, Equilibrium, Otherside, Afraid Of Tomorrow and Time and Again.

"When it comes to our songs, what we write about is basically everything that we've learned along the way," said Odrok.

This week Orestus will release the song Alphamale to the radio waves. The song featuring Tony, from local band No Loving Place, will be played on 99.9 the Carp following the footsteps of the song Jezibelle.

For more information, pictures, and music downloads, check out the band on their website: www.orestus.com.

Green Day will not be American Idiots

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

"Don't want to be an American Idiot" screams Billie Joe Amstrong in the opening line of Green Day's new album American Idiot. With such an announcement it is already obvious that the topic of their 10th album is very clear.

This initial song, titled after the album and the first single release, should be very familiar in sound to all of those who are familiar with this California punk trio. After American Idiot is finished, the rest of the tracks take on a very different twist.

What I've listened to probably 20 times since I picked it up is Green Day's very own rock opera. This style of rock first appeared in the 1960s and was perfected by bands such as Pink Floyd and The Who. Generally these groups conjure up songs that stretch on into infinity and take themselves overly seriously.

One thought is stretched out over the course of a whole record in these rock operas. When the punk movement started it was one of the "rock-god" philosophies it was rebelling against.

Green Day's album is a politically pumped synthesis of punk anger and rock opera snobbery. It could be considered almost an antithesis of punk itself; which, as it turns out, is an extremely punk thing to do.

From the traditionally Green Day tune American Idiot, comes the first of two five-movement ditties "Jesus of Suburbia." With this, I have to compliment on the fact that presidency has inspired some really amazing music; this is no exception.

Green Day viscously spread their thrashing, tattered wings for this. Punk and piano; it's an interesting idea when synthesized with this lacerated ballad of societal anger.

Abrupt and to the point; wordy is definitely not a term that can be used to describe the band. Lyrics are hammered out over surprisingly strong melodies throughout this piece and the rest of the album.

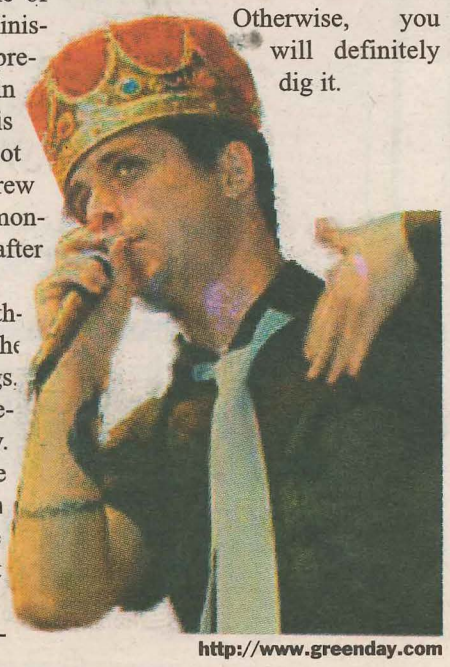
Some of these lyrics include, "Zieg heil to the President Gasman. Bombs away is your punishment. Pulverize the Eiffel Towers who criticize your government."

This is just one example of cuts taken at the current administration. The majority of this pretentious creature is a slap in the face to us, the public. This is what sets American Idiot apart from many other "screw you Bush" albums. This monstrosity will still be relevant after the coming election.

The album is not without faults. "Homecoming," the second of the sectional songs, drags on like a doctoral thesis on watching paint dry. This is nearly the end of the album and by this point, even my "screw-society" attitude needs to have its interest renewed.

This doesn't really happen. Parts of "Homecoming" do jump up a bit, such as "Rock and Roll Girlfriend", but not like the first two-thirds of this disc. Albums need to start great and finish strong. American Idiot has only a so-so finish.

As a final note, if you currently really dig our society, president and think that everything is going pretty peachy, then I would leave this album on the shelf. Otherwise, you will definitely dig it.



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'The Forgotten' needs to get lost

Joe Spraggon
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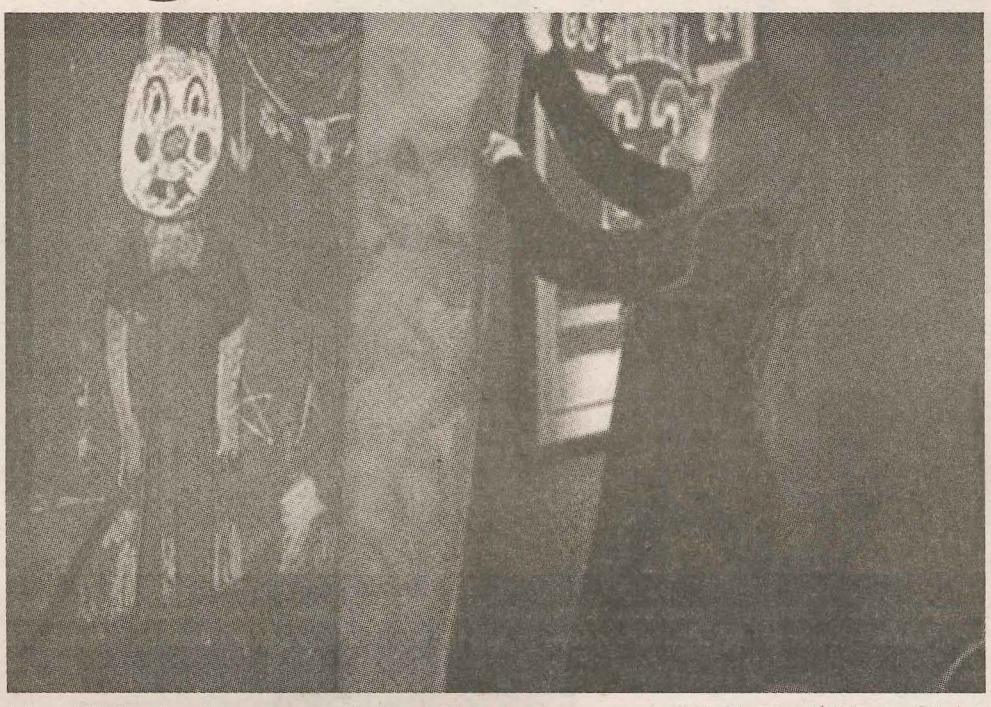

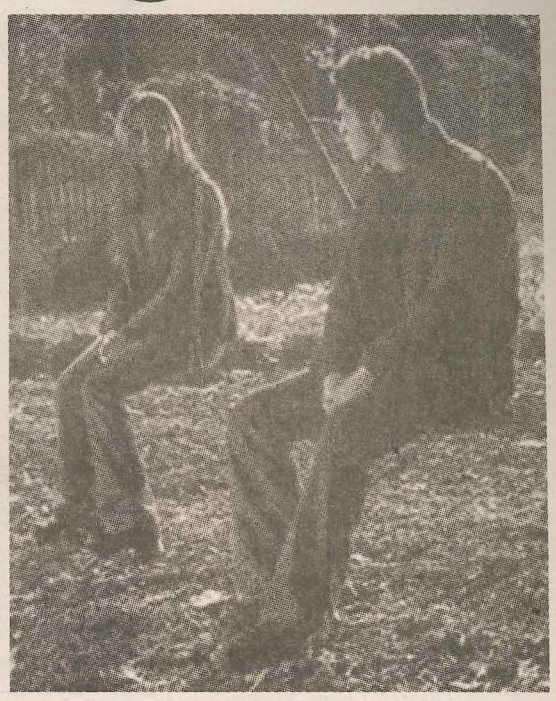

(above) Telly rips the coverup off of a wall, trying to proove to Ash that he did have a daughter at one time. (above right) Telly and Ash talk about their new realization of those lost in their lives.

"The Forgotten" should be a challenge on "Fear Factor": that is how unbelievably bad it is. Bad doesn't even begin to describe it. I'll try to put my thoughts into context. I haven't laughed this hard at a non-comedy movie since "The Blair Witch Project."

Telly, played by Julianne Moore, has a son, Sam, who was incinerated in a plane crash about 14 months before the viewer catches up with her.

She hasn't taken her son's death well and spends the majority of her day walking to and from the dresser in his room and rubbing various articles of his clothing against her. After about five seconds of this, all of his pictures disappear and her husband and shrink (Gary Sinise) are suddenly calling her crazy.

She doesn't take this very well, either. Soon she is knocking on the door of the father of one of her dead son's play friends. Ash, the father who is played by Dominic West, has no clue what Telly is talking about and proceeds to finish getting drunk. This is a good time to point out that Ash is much more tolerable when he is drunk than when he is sober.

Ash's daughter was on the same plane as Sam was. Fortunately for Ash, he had 'forgotten' this fact. This is how they know each other. Telly eventually gets Ash to remember his little girl and stop his raging alcoholism. After she performs these miracles, she drags this guy into her crazy world.

The rest of the movie watches like the worst episode of "Alfred Hitchcock Presents" after being gutted by Joe Lieberman. This is quite possibly the most predictable movie I have seen. Every thought has been pulled from the Hollywood cookbook of clichés.

The only good point this movie has is Anastas N. Michos's cinematography. He composes the shots in an interesting fashion and carefully chooses the palette of the film to reflect the mood of each scene. When everything else is gone, Michos's work behind the lens stands out. This isn't Oscar material, but he still deserves a nod for a job well done.

I have no clue how this garbage managed to pull in over $20 million this past weekend, but do not let that fool you. Stay away from this movie. Please take my advice: I've already blown my cash on this flick. Don't make the same mistake.

If you do want to see something like this, go rent a Hitchcock film or watch "The Outer Limits." At least both of these options would be much cheaper and more worth your time. As for this movie, I give it two out of five stars.

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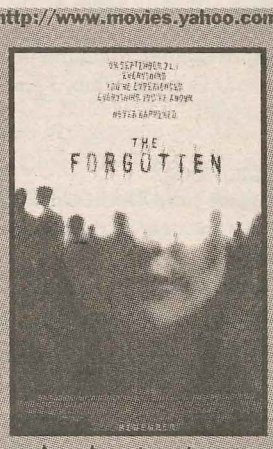

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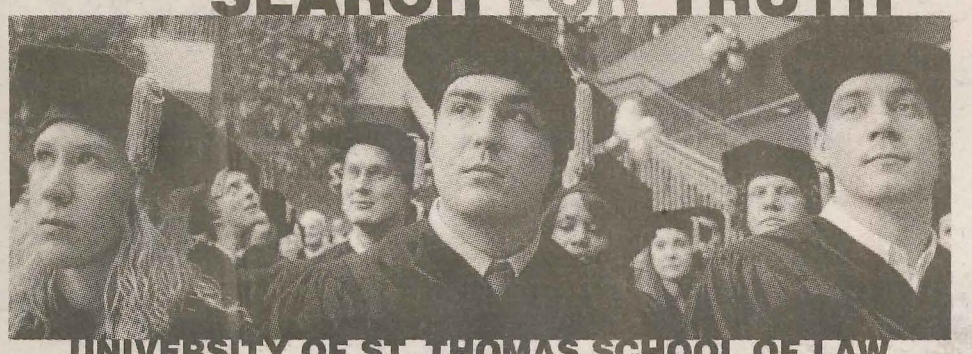

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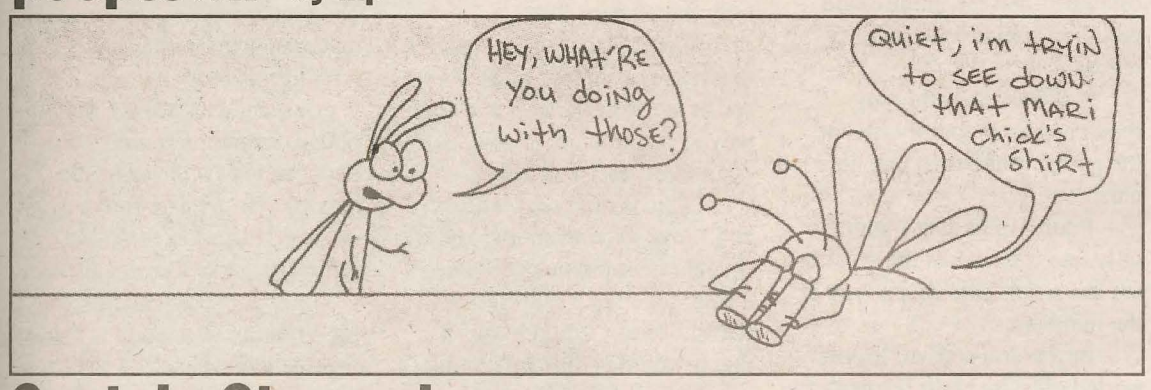

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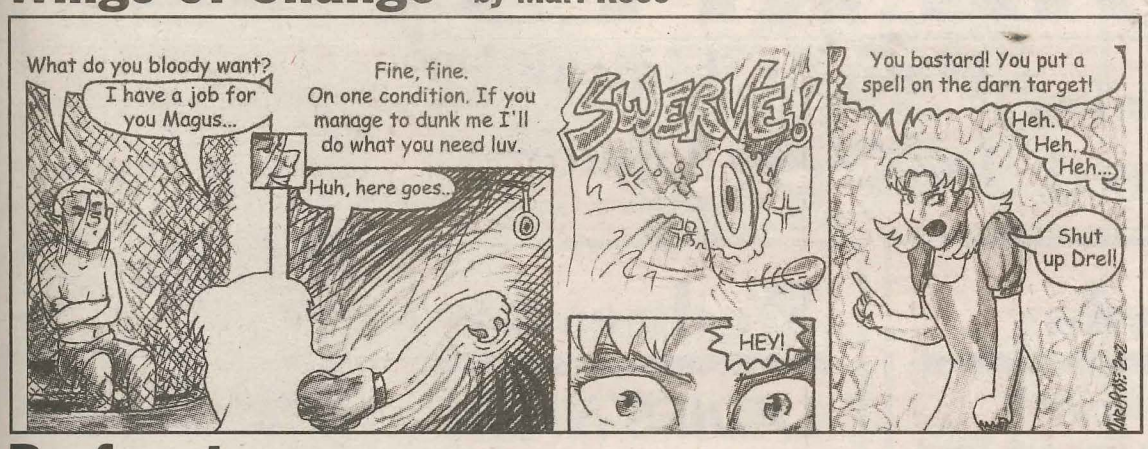

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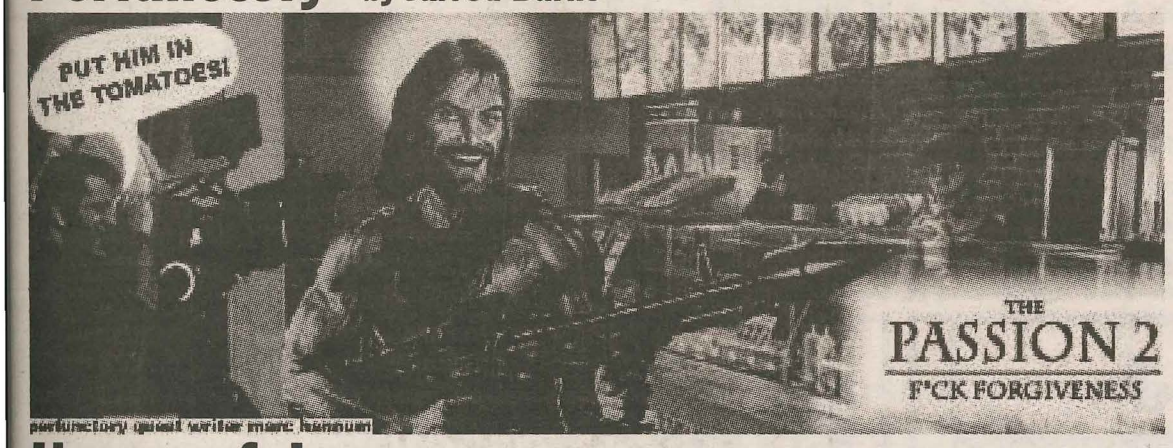

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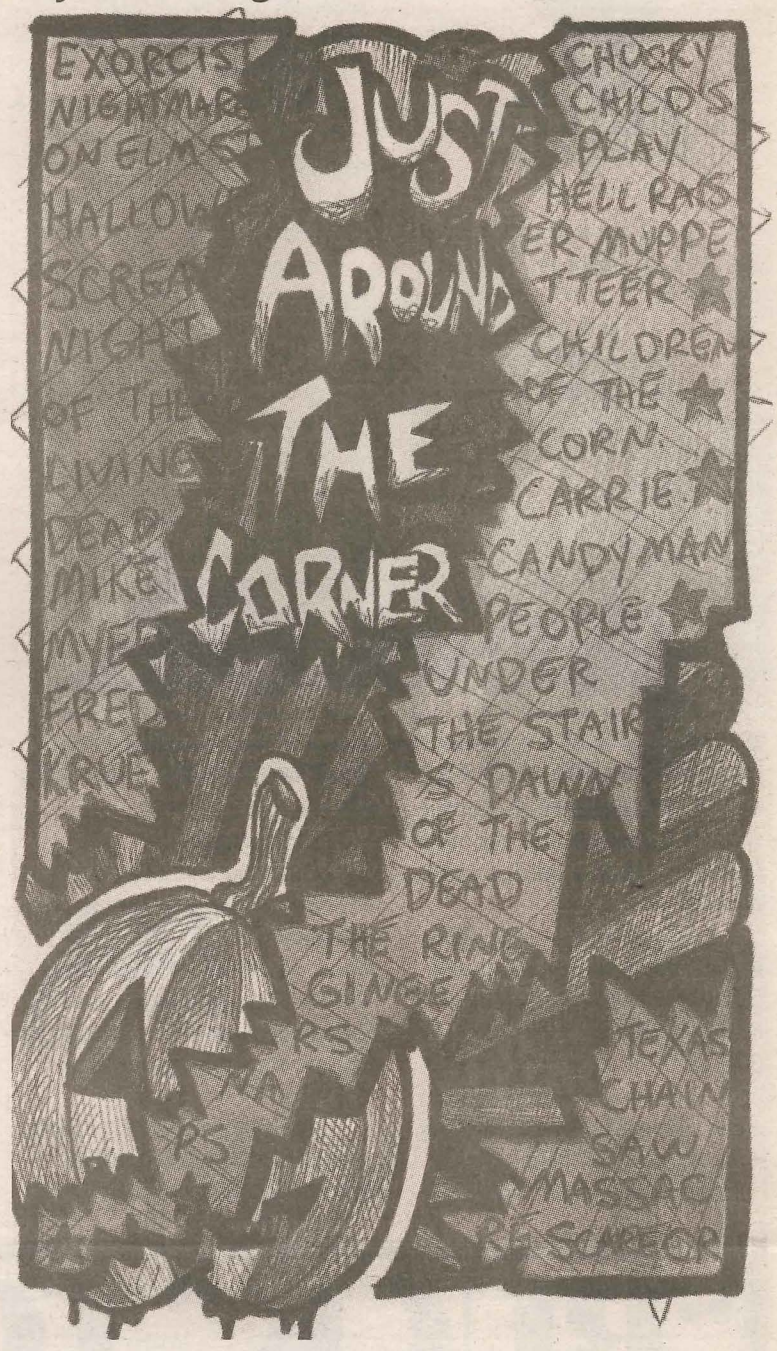

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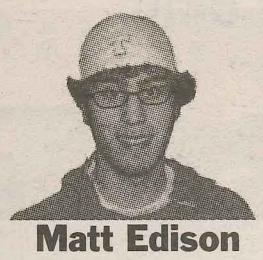
Liability more important than fun



Matt Edison
Columnist

Are intramural sports focusing on fun or not? When I signed up, I never expected to take part in anything like this.

There are some of the oddest rules in intramural sports I have ever seen. You know those mesh shorts that every guy owns, well there are draw strings that hang from the shorts, and if they are hanging out, the official will make you tuck them back in if you are lucky. Others make you find some new shorts.

Jewelry is another issue that intramurals overkill. Nobody is asking to play soccer or flag football in pearls and heels. But when the smallest earrings must be removed before play it seems obsurd.

A friend of mine was playing intramual soccer and the officals asked a player to remove his necklace. It wouldn't have been an issue except this player had an irregular heart condition, and it is required by doctors that he never remove the necklace.

Since this player didn't feel like risking his life, he was forced to quit for the season when all he wanted was a chance to play sports again.

For those of you who signed up at the beginning of the year with your team, you had to pick what type of team you were. Examples would be co-ed, all male or all female teams.

Suppose you chose to be part of a co-ed team. You have a game, and you are all stoked but to your surprise you are missing two girls from your team.

They didn't show up, and you are calling backup players like crazy because you don't want to forfeit. The penalty for a forfeit means you are done for the season.

The official informs you that your team only has three girls registered. You are then informed that you have just three minutes to get a team or its a forfeit.

Fair enough.

But what if the opposing team still wants to play the game. The time block is open, an offical is there, and the forfeitting team just paid University Recreation $10. Why not use the time signed up and paid for?

A softball team called Skillz that Killz still wanted to play a forfeitted game and have it officiated, but the umpire said that they couldn't for liability reasons.

It seems like we pretty much pay them to not officiate the game. I think that is a little harsh.

I don't think that I am the only one who thinks these rules are too strict. Lets take a look at the numbers.

Intramural softball league started off with eight teams at the beginning of the season.

The season only started two weeks ago, and now there are only three teams left.

The majority of the students that take part in intramural sports are freshmen. It is a great way to get to know people, get out and interact with others.

"This is my first year here, and I love playing sports, and I thought it would be cool to get a team together," said freshman Kevin Maier. "I didn't know that it would be this frustrating."

Intramural sports are an excellent thing to offer at the University of Wisconsin-Stout students, but they are getting a bad reputation from those who experience the hassles that come with the sports.

As students, we see the potential that intramural sports has. We love the idea of still playing our favorite sports without the dedication or skill required by varsity level athletes.

I think that the people who run intramurals need to consider making them easier for the students. They either have to find a way to reduce the liability risks or are going to have to be more lenient with the rules.

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Blue Devil sports week in review

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Men's Cross Country

The Blue Devil men's team traveled to Arcadia to compete in the St. Mary's Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 25.

John Ullrich, a junior from Savage, Minn. led UW-Stout with a time of 28 minutes 14:22 seconds to place fifth overall. The team placed third at the invitational with six teams.

The team will travel to the Whitetail Golf Club near Colfax on Friday, Oct.1 for Pre-Nationals.

Women's Cross Country

The women's team also traveled to Arcadia on Saturday to run at the St. Mary's Invitational.

The team finished second, with Kersten Wilson, a senior from Tomahawk placing fifth with a time of 24 minutes 50 seconds. Other top finishers include Stephanie Nichols in eighth 24 minutes, 58 seconds; Abbey Ring in eleventh 25 minutes 7 seconds and Bridgette Crozier in twelfth 25 minutes 17 seconds.

The team is off until Saturday, Oct. 9 when they will travel to Beloit College for the Old English Classic.

Tennis

The team broke a six match losing streak with a 5-4 win over Ripon College in a non-conference match on Saturday, Sept. 25. The win comes after a 9-0 loss to UW-River Falls on Friday, Sept. 24.

Grace Brothen, a sophomore from White Bear Lake, Minn. and Tina Rodin, a senior from Champlin, Minn. both picked up wins in doubles and singles. Jenna Bettmann, a sophomore from Blaine, Minn. and Elizabeth Hanson, a sophomore from Waseca, Minn. chalked up an 8-4 No. 1 doubles victory.

UW-Stout will be on the road this weekend with matches at Marian College on Friday, Oct. 1 and at UW-Stevens Point on Saturday, Oct. 2.

Soccer

UW-Stout shutout Marian College with a 12-0 win on Sunday, Sept. 26 at Nelson Field. The team had not been scored on in 662 minutes.

Carrie Schrank, a senior from Reedsburg opened the scoring only four minutes into the game from a direct kick. Carli Rindt, a sophomore from New Berlin scored her first career goal in the first half. She went on to score twice more in the second half, completing her first career hat trick.

The team also hosted Northland Baptist Bible College on Saturday, Sept. 25. The Blue Devils allowed only two shots on goal and had seven different Blue Devils score. The final score was 8-0.

UW-Stout traveled to Northland College on Wednesday, Sept. 29 and came up with a victory 7-1. The goal scored on the Blue Devils was only the second goal allowed this season. The Blue Devils will travel to UW-Stevens Point on Friday, Oct. 1st.

Volleyball

The volleyball team is currently ranked 16th in the nation.

In their last match, the team defeated 15th ranked University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Brooke Viegut and Tanille Hartwig each finished the night with 13 kills. Lindsay Mensink also added 11 kills.

For the season the Blue Devils have been oustanding in the kills department with 711.

The Blue Devils have a record of ll-2 overall with a 3-1 record in the WIAC.

UW-Stout will travel to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater on Friday, Oct. 1.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Scoring three goals in one game is usually a solid achievement for a team.

When one player scores three goals it is almost hard to believe.

Carli Rindt achieved that mark in a game against Marian College. Her three goals were a part of a 12-0 victory as the Blue Devils' shutout streak had climbed past the 650 minute mark.

When Rindt scored in the first half, it was her first career goal as a Blue Devil. Ten minutes later, she had two more.

The Blue Devils currently hold a record of 7-0-1 and were looking to continue the shutout streak when the team faced Northland College.

Unfortunately, the Lumberjills scored with less than 10 minutes left in the game as the Blue Devils won 7-1.

The Facts:
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Carli Rindt
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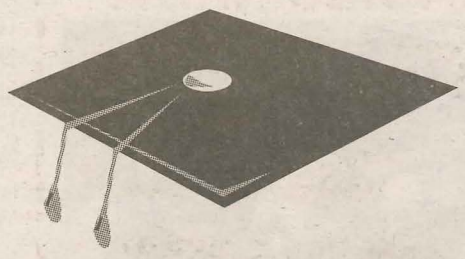

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(2-0)

The football team won 49-17 against Oshkosh on Sept. 25

Next Game:
Oct. 2 at Waldorf

Cross Country

St. Mary's Invitational results:
Men: 3rd Women: 2nd
Next Meet:
Oct. 1 at Pre-Nationals in Colfax

Tennis
(2-7)

The tennis team won over Ripon College 5-4

Next Match:
Oct. 1 at Marian College

Soccer
(7-0-1)

The soccer team won over Northland College 7-1

Next Match:
Oct. 1 at Stevens Point

Volleyball
(11-2)

The volleyball team defeated UW-River falls 3-0
Next Game:
Oct. 1 at Whitewater

Who will tame the Big Ten

Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

If you haven't been watching Big Ten college football lately, you need to remove yourself from under the rock of obscurity. Nearly half the conference has a shot of being on top come the end of the season.

With that in mind, I would like to give my expert analysis of who I feel are the top teams in the Big Ten. Why do I do it you ask? Unlike an art student, I have free time.

Starting off with the hometown favorite: the Wisconsin Badgers. Wisconsin has had to fill the gaps this season, but sophomore quarterback John Stocco has led the Badgers to a 4-0 start. The Badgers have a notorious defense that ranks 3rd in the nation, allowing only one touchdown so far this season.

Key to success: the Badgers need to regain strength at running back. Anthony Davis will return to the lineup this week and needs to bounce back from an eye injury sustained in week one. Stocco needs to continue to make good decisions in and out of the pocket. Defensively the Badgers need to remain sound. If the pressure from Erasmus James and the rest of the line stays heavy, the Badgers will be a contender at the end.

The Minnesota Golden Gophers may be the biggest sleeper in the Big Ten conference. Although the Gophers quietly opened their season with a 4-0 record, the scoreboard has been bursting with points. The Gophers currently average over 44 points per game. Laurence Maroney and Marion Barber make up a deadly duo of running backs, who together create one of the best running teams in the country.

Photo Courtesy bigten.com
Kyle Orton (Purdue) and Anthony Davis (Wisconsin).

Key to success: run the ball. This team has looked unstoppable on the ground. Barber already has six touchdowns in four games, and that number will rise. Quarterback Bryan Cupito needs to remain stable and the offense will run itself. Solid defense, especially against the run, needs to be in order to pull out a win in the close games.

Jumping on over to Michigan, we find another quarterback making his first start. True freshman Chad Henne has led the Wolverines to a 3-1 start. An upset to Notre Dame in week two has been one of the many stumbles Michigan has had to overcome early on. Braylon Edwards has displayed amazing talent at wide receiver, while the defense looks tougher every game.

Key to success: the Wolverines need to make it easy on Henne. He has the makings of being a good quarterback but is not yet ready to carry the weight of a Big Ten matchup. Look for Michigan to try to establish a solid running game early on with Mike Hart. Henne will need to find a rhythm with Edwards in the passing game.

The Purdue Boilermakers are the final team on the list. Purdue is probably the favorite for the Big Ten Championship but only because of their schedule. Wisconsin, Michigan and Ohio State all have to play at Purdue this season. Senior quarterbac

Kyle Orton has tremendous leadership, and his experience alone will help Purdue win many games. However, head coach Joe Tiller needs to focus on the running game. In their first three wins, the Boilermakers have thrown the ball over 38 times per game.

Key to success: Purdue needs to stay hot in the passing game. They are potentially a one-dimensional team, and if they meet with an equally talented secondary, the Boilermakers will face many problems. An even slightly established running game will open the pass for Orton.

Blue Devils smash Titans in opener

By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

There is an old saying: revenge is a dish best served cold.

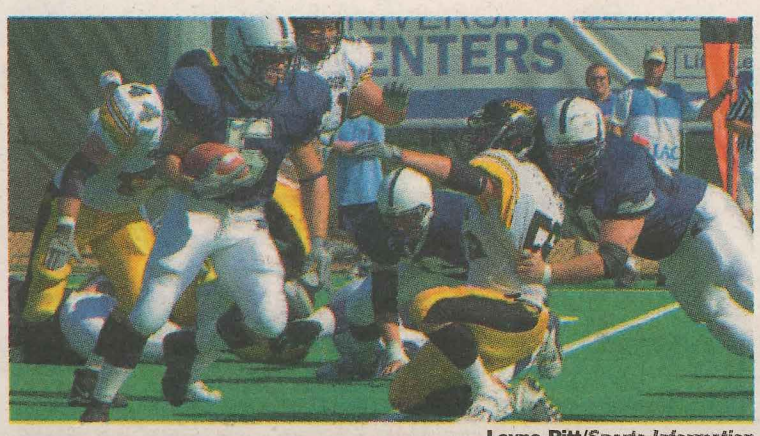
The Blue Devils served up plenty of revenge last weekend in the home opener when they faced the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

After suffering a 15-7 loss against the Titans last season, the University of Wisconsin-Stout made sure enough points were scored as the Blue Devils crushed the Titans 49-17.

After a UW-Stout touchdown on the opening drive, it was the Titans turn to try to answer, but the Blue Devil defense stopped them after a short drive.

Later in the first quarter, quarterback Nick Ohma threw an interception, which eventually led to a Titan touchdown.

With the game tied at seven, Jesse Wendt grabbed a 20-yard reception to set up Ryan Englebert for a two-yard touchdown.



Layne Pitt/*Sports Information*
Ryan Englebert breaks a tackle during the game against UW-Oshkosh. Englebert also had a 55-yard touchdown run.

In the second quarter, the teams were locked together. Neither team scored, and the Blue Devils went to the locker room with a 14-7 lead.

"Coming into halftime with the score being so close, we didn't need the coaches to pep us up because we knew we were a better team than Oshkosh," said Ohman. "We were confident in our abilities, and we just needed to go out into the second half and play the way we could."

UW-Stout opened up the second half with a big touchdown run by Ryan Englebert. Englebert took the ball 55 yards for a touchdown with 11:51 left in the third quarter.

At that point the flood gates were open now for the Blue Devils, and after immediately stopping the Titan offense, the Blue Devils responded with a touchdown. Matt Sprester caught a pass and took it 53 yards to the end zone.

The game was at 28-7 in favor of UW-Stout. Then the Blue Devils' defense got another chance to put points on the board. UW-Oshkosh quarterback Nick Wara threw a wayward pass that was deflected then caught by Wara and fumbled.

Blue Devil Craig North scooped up the ball and ran for the score.

The damage in the third quarter appeared to be too much for the Titans. It was time for the Blue Devils' second and third string players to to finish the job.

"They're out there every day at practice getting better just like us," said starting wide receiver Matt Sprester. "To see them get in and get a piece of the pie makes this win that much more exciting."

The win gives the Blue Devils a 2-0 overall record with a 1-0 record in the Wisconsin Intercolleigate Athletic Conference.

UW-Stout will travel to Forest City Iowa on Saturday to play Waldorf College.

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Rock the Vote stops in Menomonie.

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Everyday humans are super lame.

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Presidential debate focus of students

By Becky Hartung
News Writer

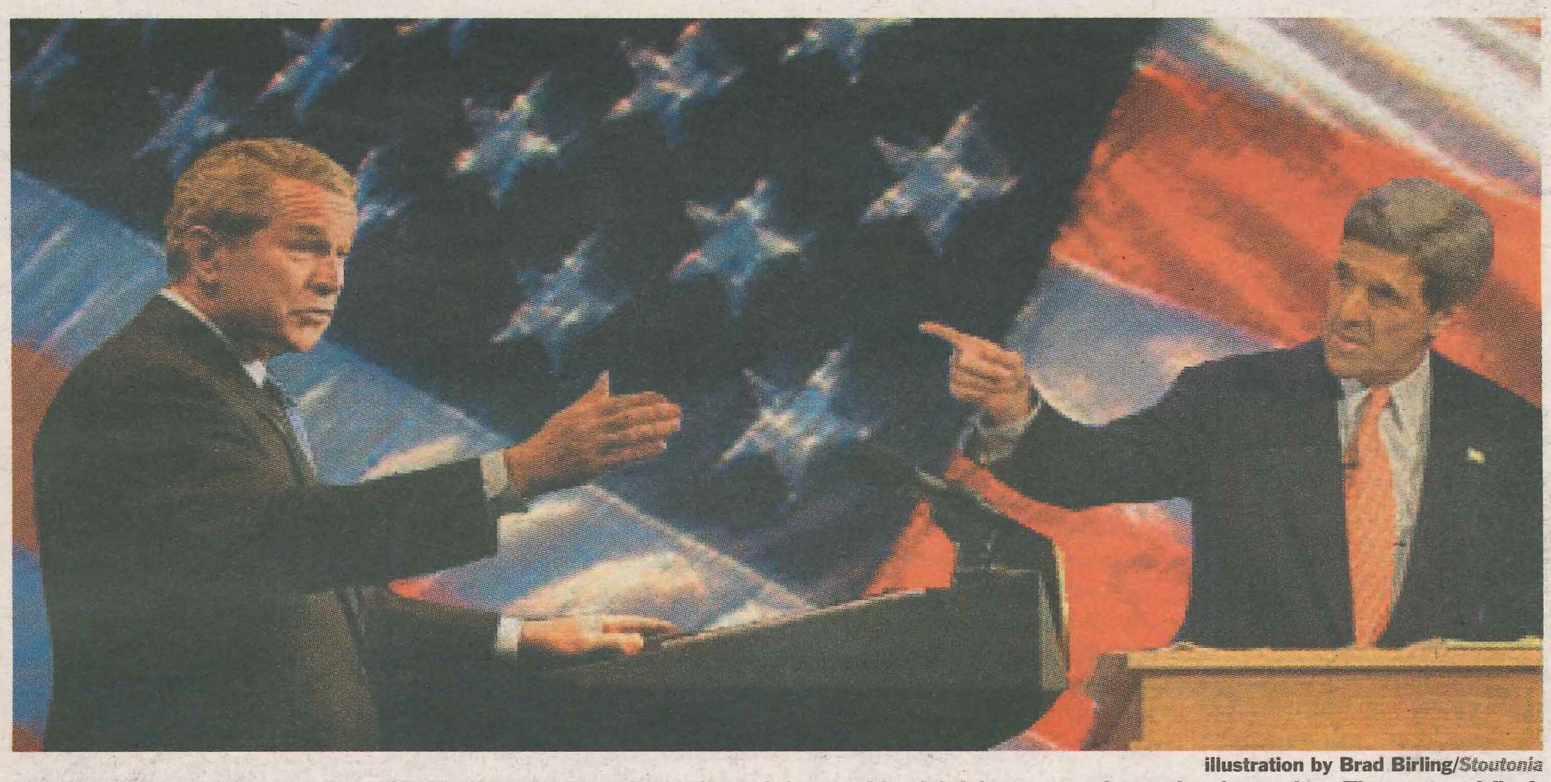

illustration by Brad Birling/*Stoutonia*

President Bush and Senator Kerry faced off on Thursday in the first of the presidential debates covering national security. The next and final debate will be Friday and will be on domestic issues.

"Kerry kicked [butt] because he was on the offensive. No, Kerry looked dumb because he nodded his head to everything Bush said even thought you know he thinks the opposite. Yeah? Well Bush stuttered; he doesn't know how to speak. But Bush has family values. He warmly welcomed his family on stage, but Kerry didn't."

Students in Renee Howarton's public relations (PR) class were buzzing about the first of three presidential debates. Howarton encouraged students to watch the debate by first discussing it in class and then offering extra credit to anyone who wrote an analysis of how the candidates use PR.

"In my international class, we study countries who either don't have the right to vote, or if they do, they take their right much more seriously," said Howarton. "I strongly encourage students to vote and be involved in their democratic privilege."

The Sept. 30 debate focused on homeland security and Iraq. Undecided voters watched closely for Kerry to define his plan for handling Iraq and nuclear problems with Iran and North Korea. They looked to Bush to verify his current position.

Kerry, who has been criticized for constantly changing his opinion about Iraq, asserted he initially supported going to war in Iraq with the understanding that the U.S. would plan carefully, build alliances, exhaust UN resources and rely on war as a last resort. In his opinion, Bush did not follow through on any of these items.

Bush countered by saying that they 'share different opinions.' He said he and Kerry were given the same information at that time and quoted his opponent, "The world would be better off without Saddam."

Bush explained the current high casualty rate is occurring because we defeated the Iraqis too quickly. Instead of increased bloodshed in the beginning, the loyalists fled. Now, they are crossing the border to cause terror with timing acclimated to our elections.

In defense of his policy, Bush explained a free Iraq and free Afghanistan would lead the way for democracy in the Middle East; 10 million Afghans voted in elections last week. Libya is now disarming. He insists on sending a strong message to our allies, soldiers and enemies. When the U.S. and its allies finish training Iraqi citizens, generals on the ground say there is stability and elections have been held, he plans on bringing the troops home.

Kerry's plan for Iraq is to increase the number of allied troops; he feels the U.S. is carrying too much of the burden. He intends to hold a summit to rebuild and foster world support. Once quoted for saying he would bring the troops home in six months, Kerry would like to bring troops home as soon as possible, but also notes the need for proper planning.

Both candidates agreed nuclear proliferation is our country's single most important threat. The candidates addressed their stance on homeland security and explained their approach to threats from Iran and North Korea.

Kerry claimed Russia has 600 tons of nuclear proliferation, and that Bush has cut funding for finding nukes. Bush has also cut funding to U.S. firehouses and the New York subway. He intends to increase funding for these concerns in addition to protecting U.S. nuclear plants and increasing train inspections at sea ports. Bush agrees these are great ideas but wonders where the money will come from.

In Iran, Kerry wants a global effort to buy back Iran's spent nuclear fuel. If Iran refuses, he will ask the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to take the concern to the Security Council. He will most likely refrain from using military power; if he does, it will be a defensive attack.

The president will make it clear that Iran is not to have a nuclear weapon. He will first rely on negotiations from the IAEA, but if that fails, all other options are 'on the table.' He will take an offensive approach to preventing nuclear war.

Bush counts on a coalition with the U.S., North Korea and five of its neighbors, including China, to persuade the troublesome Asian nation to honor the nuclear agreement signed with the Clinton administration. Kerry disagrees with this tactic, and insists on holding bilateral talks with North Korea.

Howarton's students took great care to find time to watch her tape. They understand her message about exercising their democratic privileges.

"This election is important, especially with the war in Iraq," said Heidi Sleep, a junior in technical communication. "If I don't vote, I don't have the right to complain about what I disagree with."

Drinking not problematic

By Jesse Yound
News Writer

It is said that drinking and education go hand in hand at University of Wisconsin-Stout. Underage drinking has been a major problem here on campus, and everybody knows that this school is a "party school."

The problem is that underage students disregard the rules and drink in their dorms. The students make too much noise, the RAs warn them to quiet down, and when they still make too much noise, the police are called. When the police are summoned to the dorms, the underage drinkers are cited tickets.

At Orientation this summer, students watched a skit that was about drinking in the dorms and the major problems that will arise from it. Students then were also warned that UW-Stout and Menomonie Police are cracking down on all underage drinking.

Tickets for possession and consumption are $243 for first time offenders. Students who receive citations are given court dates.

If they go to court, the judge will usually lower the penalties and send the student to an alcohol class. The judge may also take away a students drivers license for a total of 90 days.

In 2003, 475 students were issued tickets and went through the alcohol class, which is set up by the Alcohol and Drug Education Counseling Department.

Alcohol arrests are up almost 100 more tickets written in 2003 than 2002, according to University Police.

In Antrim-Froggat Residence Hall, Paul Rodriguez, hall director, stated that upperclassmen generally don't drink in the dorms. They come up with better options, and it isn't a problem in the AF residence hall. In AF, there are approximately 10 out of 160 residents who are underage, and there have been no problems, yet.

"Drinking is not a big problem here because students know

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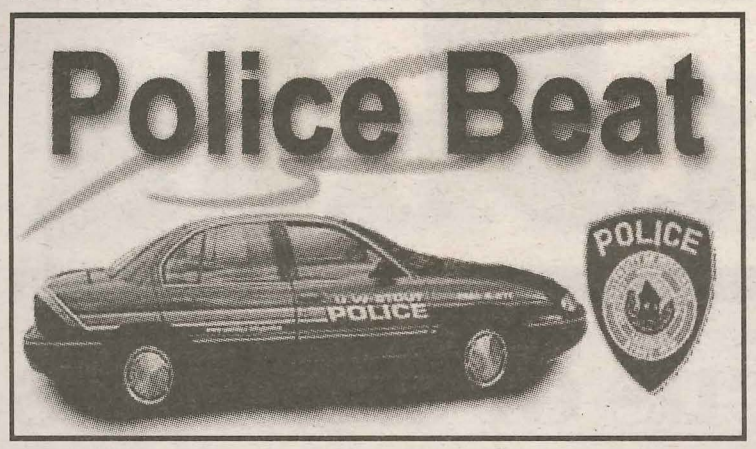

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the weeks of Sept. 21 to Oct. 5. First offense underage drinking: 17 Underage drinking, second offense: 1 Possession of marijuana: 2 Possession of THC: 1

Driver education needed
A car owner reported that his car was damaged in UW-Stout parking lot 29 on Sept. 22. There was a large scrape on the right rear quarter panel. The owner said that most likely the vehicle parked next to him had caused the damage as it was backing out. There was no note left on the car. The scrapes went into the painted surface of the car but left no transfer paint with which to identify the color car that caused the damage.

Easy to steal
On Sept. 30, a student reported his Yamaha Sport motorcycle missing. The student last saw the motorcycle around 1 p.m. Sept. 29. The motorcycle is red, black and white. The student thinks that the unknown suspect(s) may have trailered the motorcycle. There were no valuables on the motorcycle; the motorcycle is valued at $1,600.

Very easy to steal
On Sept. 30, a second student reported to police that he had parked his white and red Yamaha motorcycle in UW-Stout parking lot 4 just after midnight on Sept. 30. When he returned at 11:15 a.m. the motorcycle was missing. The student reported having trouble with the battery and therefore had removed the battery and all the fusing mechanisms, making it impossible for someone to start the motorcycle. The value of the motorcycle is $2,600.

Don't be a loud drunk
On Sept. 30, an officer responded to a loud noise complaint in North Hall. Five males were speaking very loudly in the hallway of the first floor. When the officer approached the five males, four stopped their conversation and went quickly to their rooms. The fifth male continued to speak very loudly after the officer asked him to quiet down. The male was quite noticeably intoxicated. The officer learned that the male was a UW-Stout student, but not a resident of North Hall. He proceeded to escort the student out of the building. The student prolonged the process by asking questions and wanting to get a drink from each water fountain they passed. The student eventually did leave the hall.

Stray cats make good pets
On Oct. 1, an officer was dispatched to an animal complaint at JTC Hall. The officer took custody of a grey and black kitten from the reporting student. The student had been sitting on the walking bridge between Hovlid and JTC Halls and saw the kitten. The kitten had no tags and was transported to the Dunn County Humane Society.

News for the COLLEGE attention span

The United States Department of Justice has given a grant to the University of Wisconsin-Stout to support the rights and safety of women on campus. The $200,000 grant will give UW-Stout the funds needed to start a Campus Violence Protection Project. The funding is good through October 2006 and will have special emphasis placed on reaching out to students less likely to use such services on campus.

Three houses in Madison were defaced this week using grass killer to draw large swastikas on the lawns of homes that had Bush-Cheney campaign signs. The Wisconsin Republican Party has called it the latest in a series of vandalism by Democrats, however the Madison police are investigating it as a possible hate-crime.

A program to bring a series of high-profile speakers to the new golf management program is being initiated by Henry B. DeLozier, vice president of golf for Pulte Homes Corporation. He is starting an effort to bring the best golf personalities to UW-Stout. DeLozier will be the speaker for the first talk of this series, which will be at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 11 in room 208 of the Home Economics building.

Koscielski's Guns and Ammo, of Minneapolis, the area's only gun dealer, has been selling a small two-shot weapon, the size of a credit card. The gun, made in Blaine, Minn., is a muzzle-loader type and can be concealed within a wallet. The .177 caliber weapon fires 7 bb's at a time with user-measured gunpowder, however is considered to not be useful according to self-defense experts.

Workers in Frederick, Md. were repairing a house damaged by tornado when they discovered 22-24 boxes of child pornography. The owner of the house has been arrested and held on $96,000 bail for child pornography related charges. The bust was so large, a pickup truck was brought in to remove all of the evidence.

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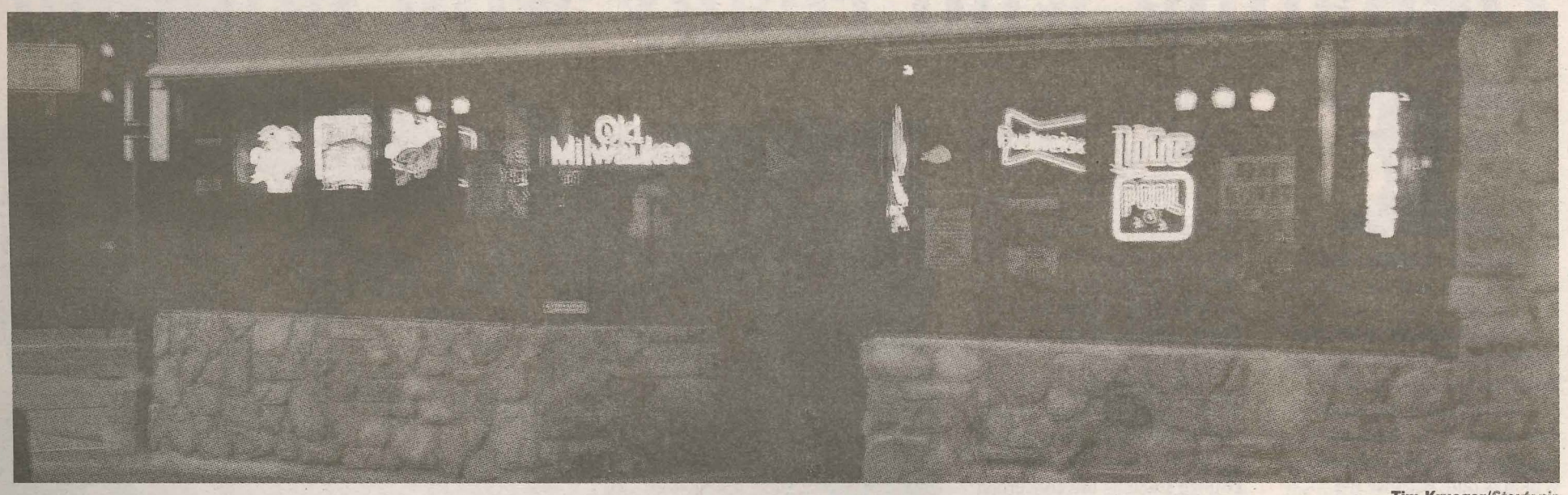
Drinking not percieved to be as much of a problem this year



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Drinking is a popular pastime for UW-Stout students. Many students this year are playing it wise by choosing to drink in legal places such as a bar if they are 21 or not drink at all.

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that they will get caught and that the staff will not tolerate students who drink in their dorms," said Andrew Busch, hall director for HKMC. Busch stated that there have been approximately 12 citations for underage drinking since the beginning of the semester.

"We will respect the decisions students make while off campus, but when they come back intoxicated and they create a disturbance, the RAs will confront them, and if they persist, they will be punished accordingly," said Busch.

In Fleming Hall, there have been a total of two underage citations since the beginning of the semester.

"I know that a lot of people drink in their dorms, but it doesn't seem to bother anyone," said Katie Diener, a freshman in graphic design.

Is there a problem with drinking in the dorms?

"[Expletive removed] no, it's all about having a good time, only the dumb ones get caught," said Tom Stoddart, a freshman in packaging.

The Alcohol and Marijuana Committee for the Residence Department is also trying to confront the problems of drinking and the use of drugs in the dorms.

"We're working to raise awareness about drinking and how it can affect their college life, and for students to learn how to be responsible about their actions," said Emma Chambers, associate hall director of CKTO, who is on the Alcohol and Marijuana Committee for Housing and Residence Department.

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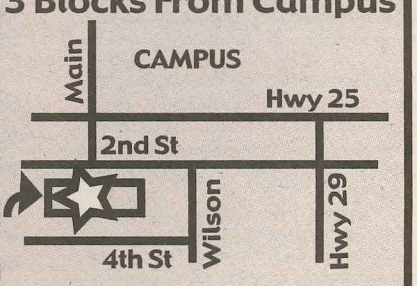

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Debating who really won nothing

Staff Editorial
as written by Curt Trnka

After round one of the presidential debates, Americans find themselves in a strange place.

According to Republicans, they won both the Presidential and Vice-Presidential debate. Which is odd, because the Democrats are saying that they won both debates.

Scratching your head yet?

So who actually won?

Where can we get the news and views we need to make an educated vote?

We should all be watching Indecision 2004 on Comedy Central, Jay Leno, David Letterman or Conan O'Brien. Those shows are a quick, humorous source of news.

But if possible, you should probably watch the next two debates and decide for yourself if Kerry KO'ed Bush and Cheney knocked down Edwards. See if Kerry's face really looks that long or if Cheney is going to have a heart attack because he's ticked off at Edwards.

The second Presidential debate is at 8 p.m. this Friday at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. The final debate will be held at Arizona State University on Wednesday, Oct. 13.

Unfortunately, none of the candidates have mentioned the key issues facing the first ever Malcolm Baldridge Award-winning-University of Wisconsin-Stout, such as tuition and laptop program concerns.

OK, so we don't really expect them to talk about Menomonie, but we do want to hear about the issues that Midwest college students are concerned about. Taxes and education are probably at the top of the list, but there are many others.

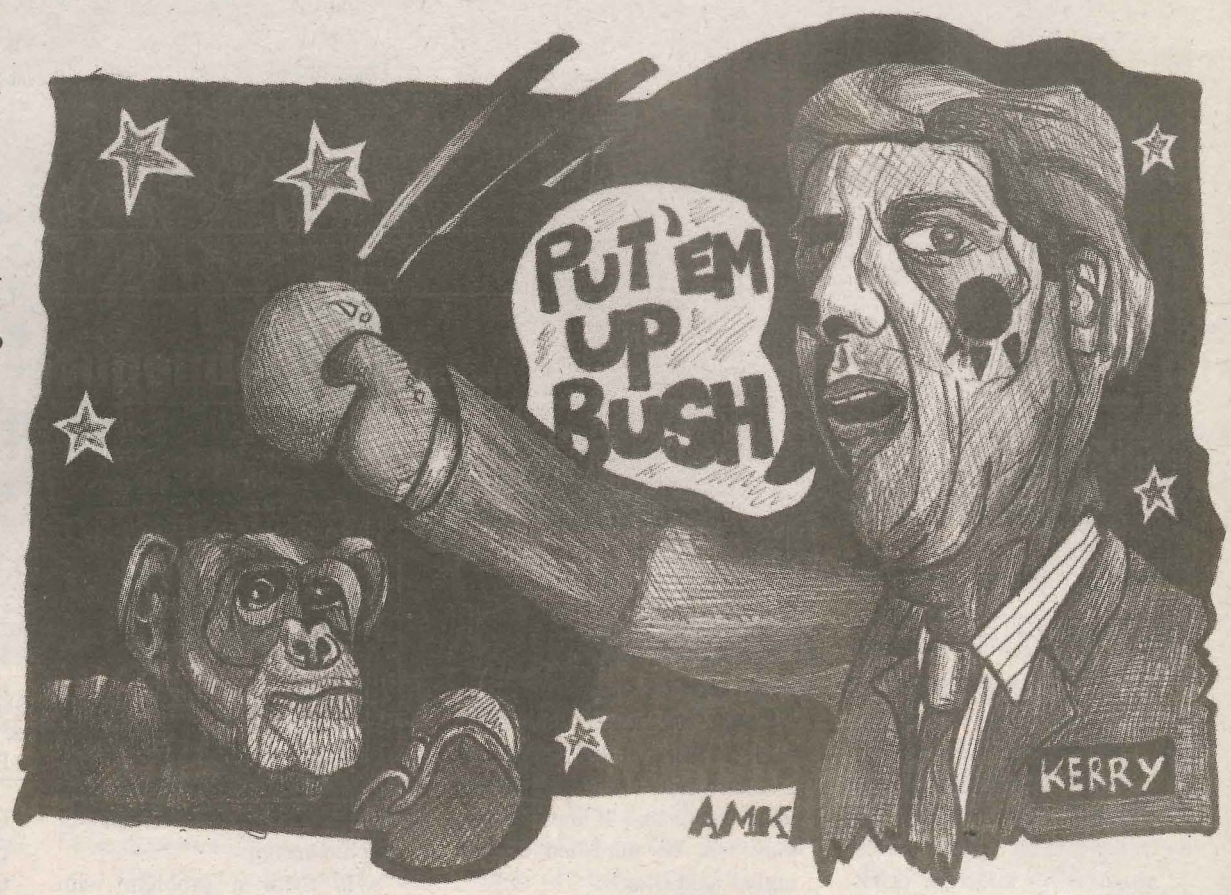
On an episode of the Daily Show, Jon Stewart pointed out that the biggest swing state in this election is Iraq.

That's all they have been talking about at these debates. When are we going to hear about the issues in a little place called the U.S.? Is abortion even an issue any more, or did America just stop caring?

In the opening Presidential debate, John Kerry started out very weak. The following is what we read between the lines.

"That's a great question to start the debates with, but before I answer, I'd like to suck up to this fine swing state."

Some might have thought that President Bush had it in the bag at that point, but George found a way to even the playing field.



Senator Kerry mentioned that a "coalition" of three wasn't much of a coalition at all.

With his 30 seconds to respond, President Bush responded by saying, "You forgot Poland."

Two points about that statement: Poland just announced that it is pulling from Iraq all of its forces by the end of 2005. Second, forgetting Poland is like forgetting where you put your keys. It happens all the time.

If you watched the VP's duke it out, you might have wondered why were they so hostile to one another. At times, you could almost see hate dripping off of their makeup-caked faces.

In the end thought politicians see debates as nothing but perception. It's nothing but show to them. Republicans continue to say that they won, while the Democrats are 100 percent positive they won. You can't both be right.

And college students can't have a valid opinion without some research. If we don't say anything with our votes, the leaders of the "free world" will think that we have nothing to say, and we all know college students have opinions on everything.

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Throw on a backpack and stroll threw Kings Canyon

Weather, temperature and food are some of the main concerns facing backpackers

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

Kings Canyon National Park, Calif., was my first exposure to backpacking in high elevation, above 10,000 ft. Like most backpacker's we wanted to get an early start to our five day backpacking experience.

Flying by the seat of our pants, we simply picked up a topographical map and went with it. Once at "Roads End" we checked out what looked to be a challenging backcountry trail: Rae Lakes Loop, 41.5 miles round trip.

Day one: A 10-mile hike that took us past Mist falls three miles in. Now most mosquitos generally come out at dawn and dusk to feed when it's cooler, but there were still plenty that braved the heat to devour us.

When dusk actually did come, the real feast began; we're talking Boundary Water's mosquitos where you are constantly wiping your arms, only to have clouds of mosquitos swarm right back to you, an intense aerobic activity.

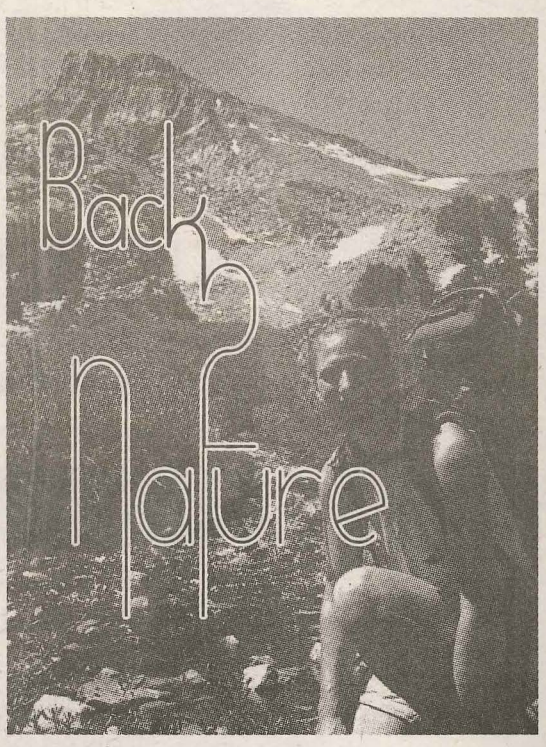
Day two-three: We joined the John Muir Trail and the Pacific Crest Trail for the next stretch of our loop. After passing over a single person suspension bridge, we came to 10,000 feet, where we became susceptible to the unpredictable weather that quickly rolled in. What started as a light sprinkle quickly turned into pelting hail.

We hurried on to our destination at Rae Lakes to set up camp before the next hailstorm. Fortunately, we got the tent up just before pea sized hail began pelting us again. We opted for a rock shelter to be able to cook lunch since we were starving from the morning hike.

We quickly found that we weren't the only ones seeking rock overhangs as shelter. The only spot we found large enough for both of us to cook in was full of animal scat. When you're hungry enough, nothing spoils your appetite.

Then, as quickly as the storm rolled in, it rolled out, and it was a clear blue sky with warm sunshine again. It got just warm enough for us to brave going down to check out the glacier run-off lake.

That's snow right up to the edge of the lake; the higher you hike, the longer the snow stays. So before my fiancé could change his mind, I jumped in and began thrashing around like never before; partially because my body was in shock from the 50 degree temperature, but more so because muscles cramp almost instantaneously in water that cold.



In a matter of 10 seconds I was in and out standing there with a grin of refreshment on my face. In went my fiancé, thrashing about in the same manner only his reaction was not of refreshment, just simply shock.

After basking in the sun to try to warm up our body temperatures, the sun quickly went down and into the sleeping bags we went. It took my body temperature nearly an hour to recover after such a shock.

The extra day we spent at Rae Lakes allowed our bodies to acclimate to the high elevation.

Day four: We hiked up and over Glen Pass, 12,000 ft. elevation. Thankfully acclimating made our lungs feel great as we enjoyed the massive peaks around us before heading down the other side to finish out the loop.

Hiking out on day five, we had an easy, flat homestretch dreaming the entire time of the fresh food and hot showers that awaited us back at our home, my '96 Chevy Lumina.

Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Intramural liability,

As the Intramural Sports Coordinator here at UW-Stout, I feel it is important that I address the issues put forth in the column "Liability more important than fun." The goal of the Intramural Sports Program is to offer a fun and safe opportunity for students to participate in sports. In order to provide this service, a few precautions must be taken to ensure the well-being of both the participants and the student employees.

The no-jewelry policy is a long-standing policy that is mirrored by hundreds of University Recreation departments across the country. This is also similar to the no-jewelry policy that exists for both high school and collegiate athletics. The only exception to this policy is for medical alert tags. Any participant who wears a medical alert tag is allowed to wear it during competition provided that it is taped down. This policy is clearly stated in the 2004-2005 Intramural Participation Manual which can viewed from the Urec website http://www.uwstout.edu/univrec/im.

Other policies regarding illegal equipment are there to protect participants from becoming injured. These policies are created to prevent accidents that occurred in the past, from reoccurring. The moment these policies are relaxed, the risk for injury increases. The student who wrote the column may feel that I am exaggerating the problem, but I have worked Intramural Sports long enough to see these accidents first hand.

I encourage any student who has a concern about an Intramural Sports policy to contact me at ungere@uwstout.edu or 232-5356.

Erik Unger,
Intramural Sports Coordinator

Democratic Crusade,

I find (from your editorial) that if the College Republicans will not debate with the College Democrats it is kind of funny, but what I do not find funny is that you label all Republicans BABY KILLERS. Well now if that is your stance then I have three questions for you,

1. What party is primarily Pro Choice?
2. What party is primarily Pro Life?
3. What party is actually killing babies, hiding behind the Pro Choice label?

There are other problems with your article also that do not follow the facts, but as a good editorialist I am sure you will print a retraction or make corrections in a follow up article to this one.

I do not care who you or anyone at the University votes for, but what I do care about is accuracy of journalism. There has been a lot of crap about both candidates that is not true. This is either being reported as facts in newspapers or in the editorial pages. This practice needs to STOP! The best way to do this is at the institutions that instruct the future of our country.

Thank you for your time.

Lance Grambo,
Former U.W. Stout Student

A legal point of view

When I read your newspaper's article about campus debates in the Opinions section, I was appalled. As a pre-law student, and an educated person, I have numerous problems with this article.

First: from a legal standpoint, Mr. Spraggon needs to be careful when he brings up God or religion in a derogatory manner, especially in reference to a person or group. Religion is a constitutionally protected institution, and when it is used against a person or group, the one using it runs the risk of a discrimination lawsuit.

Second: from a critical reasoning standpoint, that article, ripe with non-sequitors and faulty analogies, is full of holes. The flow is stilted, and the tone is petty and biased. When the author continuously makes ad hominem arguments, he further loses his credibility.

Third: if a writer wants to make their organization, in this case the College Democrats, look good, they should learn to use proper spelling and grammar. I can only hope an article like this would not make it into the UWEC paper!

Catherine Bridston
UWEC Student

Ms. Bridston,

Thank you for reading the rival newspaper. It's great to see that we are reaching readers from all over the state.

I would like to mention that all of us here at the Stoutonia are, just like yourself, educated people, and we did not have numerous problems with Joe Spraggon's opinion column. Your concerns about his opinions are valid none the less.

We might not be studying law, but we have looked into the first ammendment a bit.

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

Regular humans are super lame

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Sometimes I hate being human. I don't mean that I hate being alive or that I think the human race is inherently evil or anything like that; I suppose I should clarify.

I think being a regular human-being is super lame, that's why I think I need to become some sort of super-human.

Being an avid follower of super hero comics, I have come to the realization that being a normal human just isn't going to cut it for me; I need super-powers.

I started to think of all the ways that I know to get super-powers as shown in the comic books that I know and love.

First I thought that I'd check and see if I was born with any super-powers I didn't know about yet. Well that was a bust because all the tests I took for super-human abilities - which I didn't just make up myself by the way - came up negative.

It turns out that the only unusual, remotely super-human thing about me is that I only had three wisdom teeth. I say had because I recently had them taken out, thereby blowing my only chance at natural powers. Great.

My next thought was the ever-popular "accidental-explosion-with-chemicals-in-a-lab" method of obtaining powers. I mean, hey, it worked for The Flash, didn't it? But then I did a little research. As it turns out, being involved in a chemical explosion is actually quite dangerous. So dangerous, in fact, that I would most assuredly die.

Mostly due to common sense, but also because I'm not a very big guy and an explosion of any caliber (even a bottle rocket) would throw me around like a rag doll, this way is definitely out of the question.

Lastly I thought that maybe if I exposed myself to radiation - that I could easily get me some sweet powers. The theme of radiation leading to super powers is such a common one throughout comic books that there must be some truth to it, right?

Wrong, actually to be more precise, dead wrong. Did you know that you could get radiation poisoning by exposing yourself to radioactive substances?

Thankfully, I didn't learn that the hard way, because I was completely ready to just go dive in to some goo at a nuclear power plant. I was just going to wear goggles and maybe a nose plug until someone told me about the whole terminal sickness aspect of jumping into irradiated slime. Who knew?

I guess I'll have to live a few more years without super-powers. I mean, I didn't test out all the ways to become a super hero.

After all, Batman is just your average, run-of-the-mill millionaire who just happens to be a great fighter, and Iron Man is powered up by his rockin' suit. But all of those methods take years, even decades to develop, so maybe I'll just keep you posted until then.

"I'm not a dickhead, honest."

Brian Legg
Columnist

Even though it may seem like I am set in my ways and my opinions are solidified, they are not. The world is not a stagnant place and as such, the formulation of a perspective must be an ongoing one.

While I may have made a definitive judgment on the current president's job performance and overall merits as a leader, the merit of a conservative stance still remains valid to me.

Given the current status of political discourse in this country, however, the likelihood of discussing stances on issues seems like a pipedream.

"Politics as religion" is the phrase that best describes where we are at now. As soon as presidential preference is established it seems that the conversation descends to the level of "my dad can beat up your dad."

We can do better than this.

As a nation we need to develop a tolerance to diversity of opinion. Put plainly, sometimes we just need to agree to disagree. But this is not to say that we should stop talking about issues that matter to us. On the contrary, we should talk about them frequently and share the reasoning behind our opinions.

I want to speak with people who disagree with me, but because I have been so forthcoming about my own stances and willingness to defend them, I may have squandered that opportunity. When I challenged people to send me reasons to vote for George W. Bush last week, I was serious.

Unfortunately, no one as of yet has taken up the task, but there are some of you out there who are going to vote for him and you've got to have at least one reason. What is it?

Anyone who knows me has heard this shtick a hundred times. This really is paramount. How can we, as a country, move in the right direction when we can't even decide what the right direction is? How can we decide what the right direction is if we can't even discuss it civilly?

This column should be coming out just as we've passed the first Presidential debate and hopefully their exchange can serve as a model for us all.

Let's start talking about what is important to us whether it's environmental, domestic or foreign policy. Get informed and take a stand on something. Tell your friends what you've found out and see what they think. Tomorrow you can change your mind if you find out your opinion was misguided, but make today mean something.

Vandalism gets bitterly personal

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

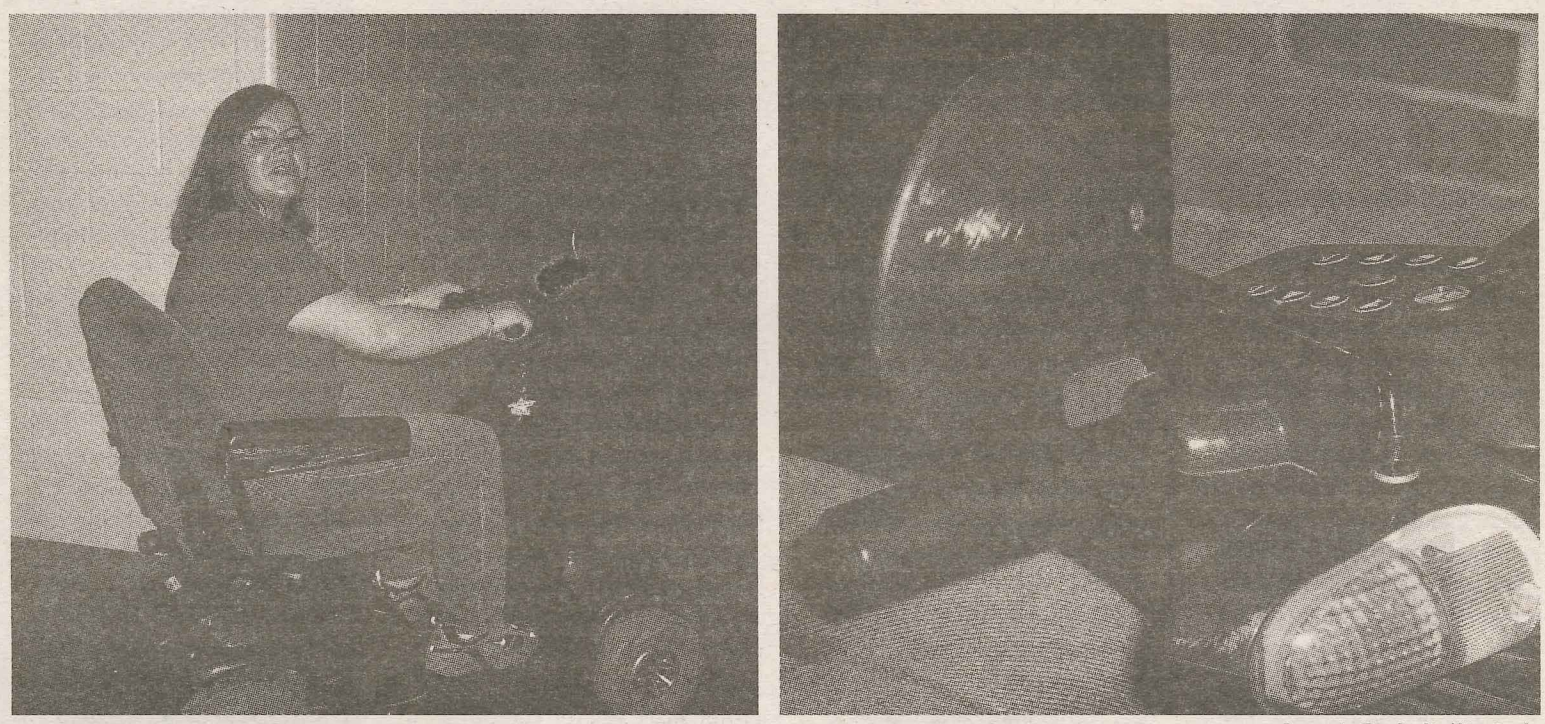
This year, the University of Wisconsin-Stout community is seeing everything from the more typical instances of vandalism to actions bitterly targeting individuals.

We might not consider damage to picnic tables, garbage cans or an ashtray to be very important—they have little effect on our lives and are often replaced before we notice. The cost also seems negligible when divided among an entire community.

It's one thing to ruin public facilities, however, attacking a single person can signify personal malice. According to Campus Police reports, modes of transportation are often subject to vandalism. Broken windows, dents or splotches of paint might make a car may look unattractive and cost money to fix, but someone can still get from point a to point b.

What would happen if your primary mode of transportation is a motorized cart?

Cassandra Bourget, a UW-Stout student who suffered paralysis on her left side after an accident in 1994, was faced with that problem on the morning of Sept. 23.



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

Cassandra Bourget became a victim of vandalism on Thurs. Sept. 23. An unidentified person tipped over her motorized cart, knocked off the lights, bent the rearview mirror and cracked the windshield causing $1,000 worth of damages while she was in The Flame.

Outside The Flame just before 1:00 a.m. last Thursday, Bourget's motorized cart was found vandalized and tipped on it's side. The lights were knocked off, the rearview mirror was bent downward; its small windshield was cracked and the back end of the scooter was lying on the ground nearby.

"I thought it was going to be okay" said Bourget, thinking the cart would still work.

When she tried to use the scooter, it would not function. She said she had only been in The Flame for 20 minutes while it happened.

"I know people don't respect scooters because they only help some people, but especially drunk people have no respect for the disabled, and that's bad," says Bourget.

A group of students, Keith Utech, Andrew Freres, Tim Schneider and Nick O'leary, were willing to help her move around campus for three days by pushing the broken cart.

"I can't believe someone would do that to her, especially around here," says Utech. "I had always thought [UW-Stout] was such an awesome place to be."

On the Saturday following the incident, Bourget was able to use the cart again. The Assistive Technology Assessment Center (ATAC) was able to fix the damage to the power source; the battery had been disconnected from the bottom of the scooter.

Police estimated the damage at approximately $1,000. No suspects have been reported.

Students socialize while filling their stomachs

By Megan Thomas
Student Life Writer

Each day, students trudge over to the dining hall for the same cafeteria food or open the same orange package of chicken-flavored Ramen for dinner. Some people around campus decided to change that and put some more appetizing food on the table.

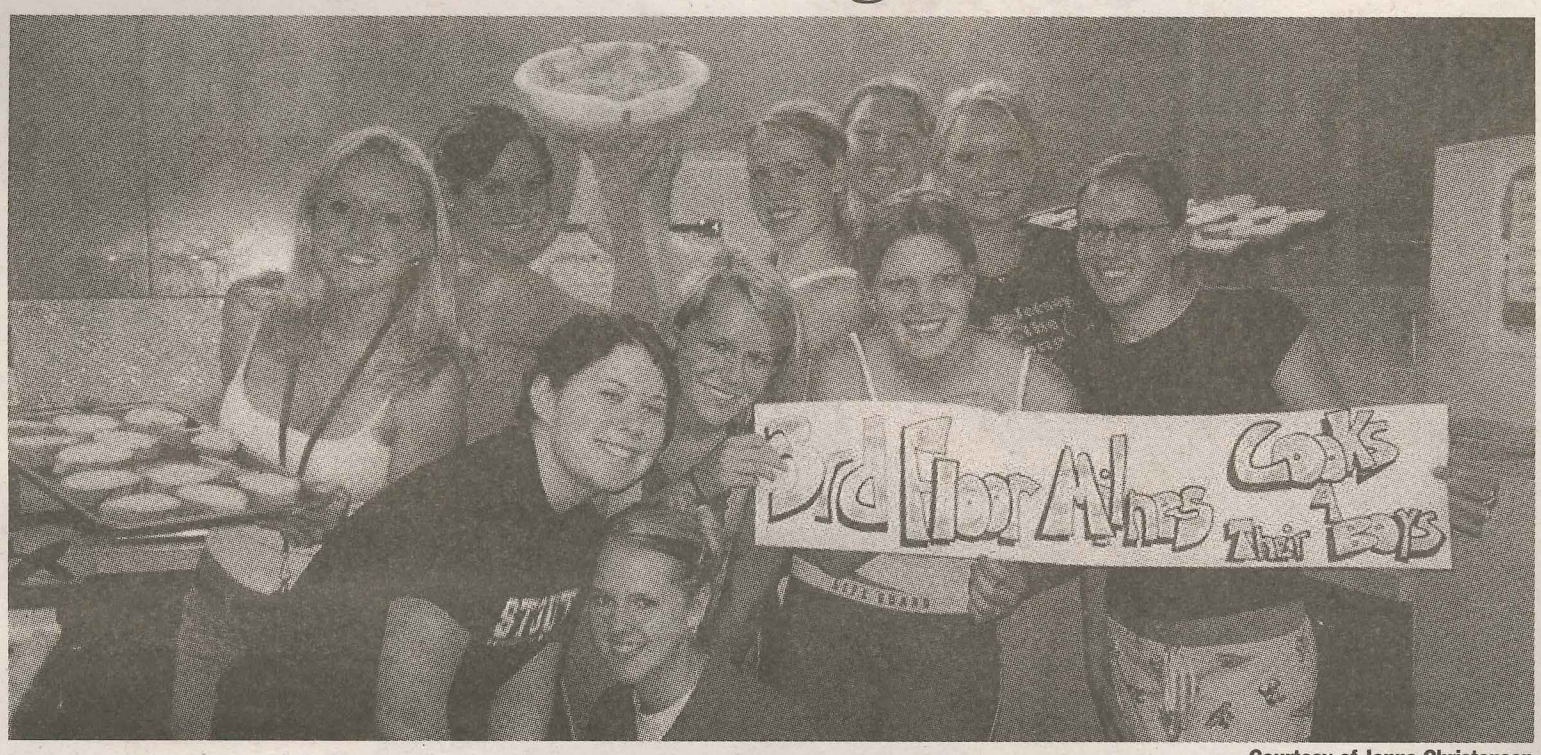
Frisbees whizzed over-head and the charcoal balls that lay in the grill were glowing with warmth as the scent of burgers and smoke drifted in the air.

People jammed their hands into the brightly colored bags, pulling out handfuls of salty potato chips. Slowly the plates filled with pasta salad and cookies. Students laughed and smiled with their fellow classmates as they ate dinner on picnic tables.

Third floor Tustisan and third floor Oetting are just two floors that got together to cook for one another this year.

"I thought it would be a good way to end the summer and get the two floors together," said Jeff Kennan, an RA for the third floor of Tustisan and a sophomore in hotel, restaurant and tourism management.

"We wanted to do something outside with our whole floor, and food is always good," said Rochelle Holmes, an RA on the third floor of Oetting and a sophomore in industrial design.



Courtesy of Jenna Christenson

Third floor Chinnock and third floor Milnes are two dorm floors who get together to make meals and get to know each other. They take turns cooking and everybody involved pitches in money. Students attend such events to socialize with people on their floor and get some hot food.

People crouched down to roast marshmallows in the open flame from the grill and then smashed them down onto graham crackers filled with Hershey's chocolate, creating the famous s'more, which no cookout should be without.

"The RAs brought the meat, and others brought the rest," said Kennan. "We really had a lot of food and a good turnout."

People have various reasons for attending the cookout events.

"I'm enjoying it, and I get to talk to people on my floor I don't usually have time to talk with," said Jes Thompson, a freshman in apparel design and development.

"I love it. I love the atmosphere, social life, free food and meeting people," said Kat Roesler, a sophomore in early childhood education.

After the success of the cookout, students wanted more.

"Of course we would think of doing this again," said Holmes. "I think people enjoyed it."

The guys of third floor Chinnock and the girls of third floor Milnes are another group who feed their hunger pains by getting together and cooking meals for each other.

The boys started the tradition by holding a cookout and inviting their floor neighbors.

"We were hungry one time, and grilling out sounded good," said Dyllan Bode, a freshman in engineering technology.

After the guys grilled out for the girls, the girls felt like they owed the guys a meal. So the next Wednesday, the girls headed downstairs to the kitchen and started cooking.

"We cook for them every Wednesday downstairs in the kitchen," said Betty Benson, a freshman in business administration. "The first time we had spaghetti with meatballs, salad, garlic bread, and cookies; the second time, tacos."

Everybody seems to be enjoying themselves, whatever it is they do to contribute; cooking, grilling, drawing signs or cleaning up.

"We plan to do this for the whole year," said Mersenski.

If you want to treat yourself to some homemade food, get a group of people together from your floor or building and cook some food. It's a great way to meet people you haven't talked to yet, and it's a nice break from the cafeteria.

Slant

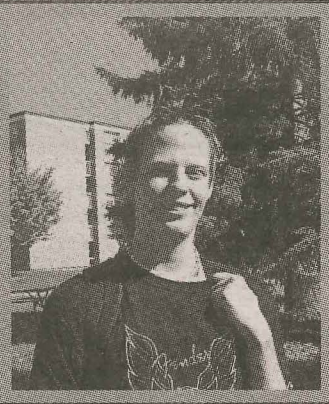
If you could re-hatch one dinosaur egg and bring it back from extinction, which one would it be and why?

"Pterodactyl, because they are cool to watch."

Jessica Thompson
freshman
apparel design
and development

"Triceratops, because its got three horns, and three are better because they're hornier."

Erik Vilstrup
junior
technology education



"Velociraptor, because it's a fun name, and they're smart."

Ellen Frisch
freshman
apparel design
and development

"Brontosaurus, they're amazing; they're large; and they're vegetarians."

Randy Kerr
sophomore
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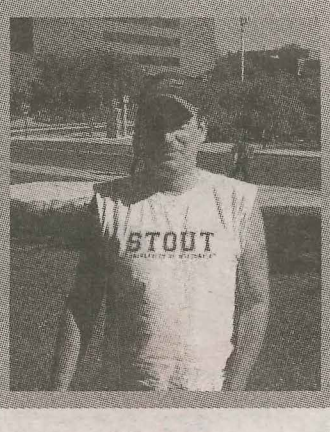


Finding a cure for chronic diseases

Stem cell research is a controversial subject; what are the facts?

By Tracey Campbell
Student Life Writer

With the upcoming election, a hot topic of debate is human stem cell research.

"Stem cells are cells that have the remarkable potential to develop into many different cell types in the body," according to The National Institutes of Health Web site.

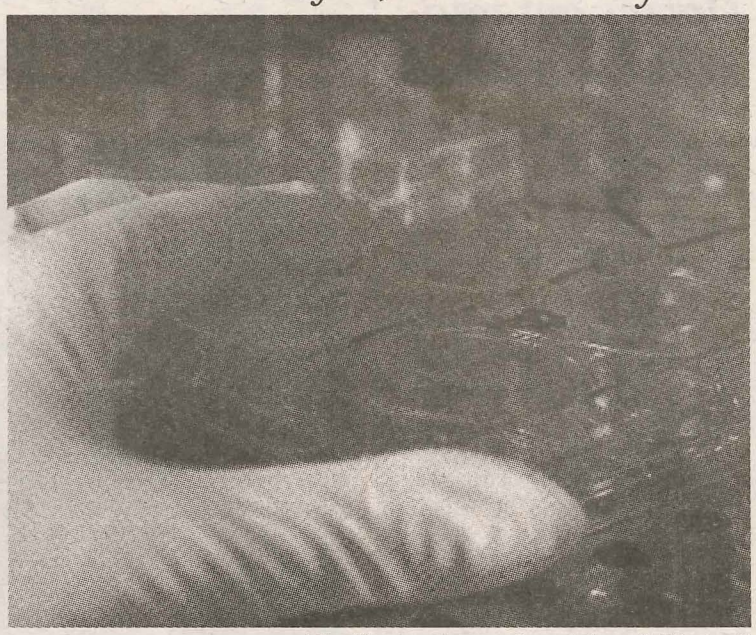
Human stem cells may be derived from many tissues of the body; including bone marrow, umbilical cord blood and blastocysts (human embryos). Researchers hope that by adding growth factors to these cells as they mature, they can influence the way the cell differentiates.

The ability to control the development of a cell is a great advantage in developing cures for chronic diseases. With the power to govern cell specialization, defective tissues in the body can be replaced with healthy ones.

In 2001, President Bush granted federal funding for embryonic stem cell research; however it was only granted for research involving existing embryonic stem cell lines. Currently there are 12 of these lines and all of them are contaminated with mouse cells, limiting their use in humans.

Because of these bans on funding, most of what is known about stem cells has been discovered through research on adult stem cells. Through adult stem cell studies, scientists have now found that it is possible to treat autoimmune disorders such as type I diabetes and lupus with stem cell replacement therapy.

An autoimmune disorder is a disease in which the immune system's T-cells mistake specific parts of the body as antigens. In type I diabetes, the immune system mistakes pancreatic cells as antigens and destroys them. In lupus, numerous tissue types are mistaken and destroyed.



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Scientists have found that stem cell replacement therapy can treat some autoimmune disorders, such as type I diabetes and lupus.

By supplanting the patient's immune system with stem cells isolated from their blood, doctors can rid the patient of the defective immune system and give them a properly functioning one.

However, there is a problem with the use of stem cells derived from the patients themselves: separating the stem cells from the rest of the blood matter. If some of the original T-cells are reintroduced after wiping out the immune system, all the therapy would have been in vain.

Researchers are optimistic about developing treatments for other illnesses such as Parkinson's and heart disease with the use of stem cells. The problem with this is that adult stem cells have already begun to specialize and don't always have the flexibility scientists are looking for when developing new therapies.

Scientists believe that the only hope lies in embryonic stem cells. Embryonic stem cells have the ability to divide almost without limit and to differentiate into any type of tissue needed by the human body.

In spite of this, the use of human embryos for scientific research raises ethical questions, especially with Pro-life advocates. According to Religious Tolerance.org, those who are Pro-life believe that life begins when the sperm and egg join to form the zygote.

To a person with these beliefs, using an embryo for research is the same as donating a child for scientific experiments. The argument that is made by proponents of this research is that the in-vitro fertilization clinics dispose of most of the embryos anyway, sometimes right down the drain, with or without the consent of the donors.

According to CNN.com Ronald Reagan's recent death has sparked a campaign by his family to increase federal funding for embryonic stem cell research. The results of the upcoming election will make a vast difference in how their efforts are rewarded.

Excessive fire alarms becoming a problem

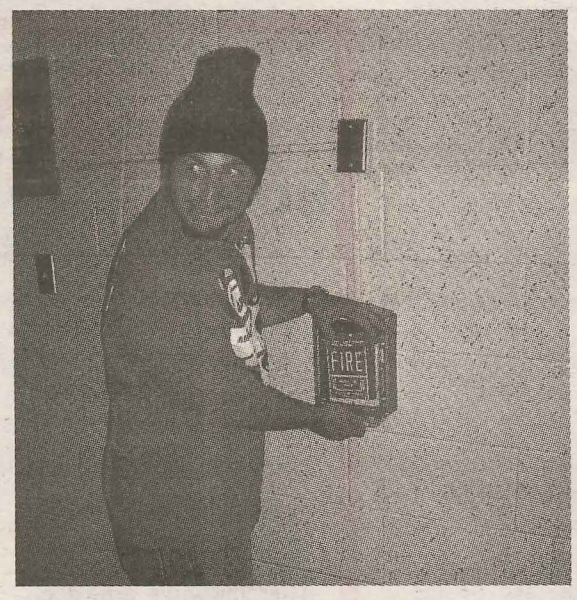
By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

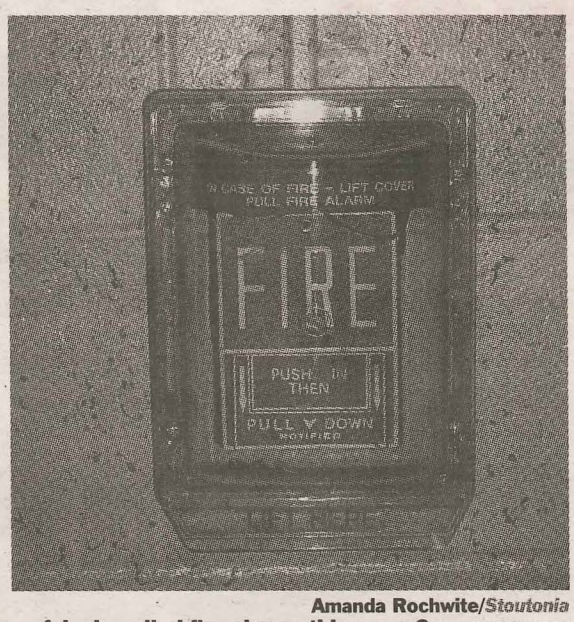
Parents, teachers and other adults tell the story of the boy who cried wolf to teach American children a lesson in lying. The moral of the story is that the more you lie, the less credible you will be in the future when you really need someone's help.

The moral attempts to teach children not to lie or cause false alarms. However, there are some students on the campus of the University of Wisconsin-Stout that are causing false alarms.

"Three times [this year] someone falsely pulled the fire alarm, and one time we actually had a real fire," said Andrew Busch, the hall director of HKMC; the freshman-only dormitory. "So far, one person has been identified, and we have a good lead on another person."

Each time a fire alarm is pulled, whether in the case of a true fire or prank, everyone in the building has to evacuate and wait outside for the fire department to arrive and secure the building.





Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*
Those who live in HKMC have had to suffer through three falsely pulled fire alarms this year. Consequences for the residents who pulled the alarm could include monetary and/or criminal charges.

"Once the police and fire department arrive, they pretty much take over," said Busch. "They can request to key in to every room or just ones identified by the staff as individuals who have not left in the past. If residents are found in the building, they will be ticketed and fined."

The more often the fire department is contacted for a false alarm, the more likely it is that they will wish to key in to all of the rooms in the building in attempts to catch guilty parties. This is a long process and all residents have to wait outside regardless of weather.

"From our perspective, students can be charged with several University System forfeitures for the incidents such as fire safety-negligent handling, cost of $367.00; fire safety-fire detection/fighter equipment tampering cost of $305.00; activating false fire alarms at $367.00; and removal of emergency exit signs $212.00," said Sgt. Bob Starck of the UW-Stout Police. "Persons may also be charged criminally, depending on the circumstances."

Residents found guilty of falsely pulling the fire alarm in any building on campus can face consequences of reimbursement for the clean up and recharge of the extinguisher fee to reimbursement of the cost for the fire department to come to the building, depending on whether they are charged by the hall, the UW-Stout Police or criminally. If the guilty party is not identified, the floor that the incident happened on is billed for the clean up and recharge of extinguisher.

"It is my job to identify who did this," said Busch. "I

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Dorms get mid-night mayhem

think peer pressure the last time was enough to make it stop because there were 480 angry students who let them know that they aren't just affecting themselves."

Busch is correct in saying that this affects and upsets other students in and around the building.

"When I lived in the dorms, I hated it when a fire alarm went off in the middle of the night," said Kendra Busch, a general business senior. "We would all have to file out of the building into the blistering cold and just wait. It always seemed to happen when I had a test the next day, too."

"I don't know why other residents pull fire alarms," said Emily Kempainen, a retail merchandise and management junior. "When I lived on North Campus, I would wake up to the alarms going off in other buildings."

HKMC staff has also sent a mass email to all residents outlining the policy about evacuating during an alarm and notifying them about the tickets and fines given during the last incident to those who refused to leave the building.

"False alarms make the fire department angry because if there were real fires in the community, they couldn't help to their full ability because they had to come here," said Busch.

Quick and easy Mexican recipes

Katie Bader
Columnist

Got a taste for Mexican? Can't get enough chips and salsa? Addicted to Taco Bell? In Wisconsin, we don't have the opportunity to enjoy much authentic Mexican food, but we can still try to match some of their flavors and techniques when cooking on our own.

A quick and easy Mexican snack is the common tortilla chips and salsa. It is so satisfying and still reasonably cheap. It is actually very healthy for you.

Salsa is low in calories and contains little to no fat. In addition, many of the ingredients contribute vitamins and minerals. Tomatoes, chilies and cilantro contain vitamins A and C, and tomatoes contain a significant amount of potassium. Remember this next time when trying to decide between the double chocolate donuts or chips and salsa as a late-night snack.

Another great thing about salsa is that it is versatile to all different tastes. If you aren't a fan of watery eyes and red cheeks from spicy foods, you can always go for the mild salsa and put only a small amount on chips or in your recipes. Or if you love to get a little sweaty from hot foods, grab the super hot salsa and pile it on.

Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia

"Everyone's Favorite Quesadilla," is a simple recipe with minimal ingredients that students can make with only a microwave. It only takes about five minutes, so it is good for a person who needs to eat in a hurry.

Here are a few recipes taken from "The Starving Student's Cookbook" that include salsa. They are microwavable and quick to make.

"For being so cheap and so easy to make, they are really good," said Tara Bugge a junior in dietetics. Keep in mind you can customize these recipes to make them just to your liking.

Velveeta Salsa Dip
Prep: 2 min. Cook: 2 min.
Makes 1 serving
1 oz of Velveeta, cut up
2 Tbsp. salsa
tortilla chips

1. Place chopped Velveeta and your choice of salsa in a microwavable bowl.

2. Microwave on high 1 min. or until cheese is melted, stirring every 15 seconds.

3. Stir until blended

4. Enjoy with chips

This recipe only makes one serving, so if you would like to share with your friends or neighbors, double, triple or quadruple this recipe. But watch out, this dip can become addicting.

Everyone's Favorite Quesadilla
Prep: 3 min. Cook: 2 min.
Makes 1 serving
1 flour tortilla
cheddar cheese
Butter or Margarine
Optional fillings: salsa, barbecue sauce, thin-sliced ham, thin sliced cooked chicken, mild chili peppers, thin-sliced onions

1. Butter tortilla and place on paper towel. Cover with cheese and top with whatever toppings that appeal to you. Butter second tortilla and lay over fillings with butter side facing fillings.

2. Place quesadilla on a paper towel and place in the microwave. Microwave on high 1 ½ to 2 min. Remove, move to a plate and let cool a few minutes before cutting into triangles.

Great toppings for this simple quesadilla may be a spoonful of sour cream, shredded lettuce or Velveeta salsa dip. Enjoy!

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>Pie Recipe Contest, Menomonie Farmer's Market, UW-Stout Clock Tower Square, 8 a.m.- 2 p.m., free.

Sunday, Oct. 10
>Music: David Dahl, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $10 students.

Monday, Oct. 11
H>Soap Box Derby, MSC South Lawn, 12:00- 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 12
H>Amateur Drag Show, Great Hall, 7 p.m., free.
>Candlelight Rally for domestic violence, Wilson Park registration 5:30 p.m., rally 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 13
H>Comedy: Reno Collier, Great Hall, 8 p.m., free.

Thursday, Oct. 14
>Music: Black Eyed Snakes, Rec Center, 8 p.m., free.
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Voting never rocked so hard

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

Be on your best behavior because MTV is coming to the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus on Oct. 12. They're not here looking for the next bunch to be on The Real World, but here to get us involved in the real real world. Rock the Vote (RTV) is hosting an entire day, just to promote the importance of young people voting.

A little step up from our amazing New Voter's Project on campus, RTV is coming with four amazing acts, free Ben and Jerry's ice cream and the John Lennon Tour bus, which is filled with high technology recording facilities and the latest in multimedia projects for campus students.

RTV is a non-profit organization and their sole purpose is to help protect freedom of expression by encouraging our generation to vote. The organization was founded in 1990 by executives in the recording industry, to counteract the bashing that freedom of speech and artistic expression was receiving. Since then, RTV has helped over three million young voters register.

Darrin Witucki, events coordinator and Blue Devil Productions advisor for UW-Stout has been working relentlessly to give students have the opportunity to experience RTV.

http://www.declareyourself.com

(above) The Declare Yourself Poets put on a show to let the younger audiences see the effects of not using their voice. (right) Sarah Hudson poses for her new CD. Playing with these two artists on Tuesday but not pictured are Keaton Simons and Dan Dyer.

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Despite all of the excitement that comes with MTV coming to Menomonie, Wis., Witucki hopes that students do not miss the point of this festival. This is a completely free event trying to help young adults to realize the importance of their vote and how it not only impacts them now but also in the future.

"We hope to get people registered to vote but then also to actually go out and vote," Witucki said. "Last election, over 50 percent of 18 to 24 year olds were registered to vote. Less than 36 percent of them actually voted. We hope that events like RTV can help to close and possibly eliminate the gap in registered voters and young adults who actually voted."

RTV has also helped to produce and distribute over one million copies of "Rock the System: A Guide to Health Care for Young Americans." They developed the first Internet and telephone voter registration program, and have created over 50 Community Street Teams across the country that help young Americans register to vote. More than five hundred recording artists, actors and political figures have helped and worked at RTV conventions over the years.

"1972 was the first year that the voting age was reduced to 18 because so many 18 to 21 year olds were being killed in Vietnam," Witucki said. "That year the voter turn out was 50 percent for those aged 18-24. Voter turnout for that age group has never been as high since.

"If you had 50 percent to 60 percent of 18 to 24-year-olds in Wisconsin vote in the last election, Wisconsin would not have had a 250 million dollar budget cut in education. They are already predicting another 10 percent cut in the future budget that is being planned right now. Politicians respond to votes. If 60 percent to 80 percent of 18 to 24-year- olds went out to vote, politicians would be falling all over themselves to meet student's demands and issues."

At RTV, there will be three musical acts and one pro-voting poetry-like performance. Kate Hudson's cousin, Sarah Hudson, will be one of the acts coming to UW-Stout. Her recently released album, Naked Truth, features her

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BDP Comedy Series: Laugh so hard it hurts

Late Night Players and Kyle Cease bring laughing fans to tears with their crazy antics

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

While a majority of the campus was wrapped up in the political debates between Bush and Kerry last Thursday, the Late Night Players were making political jokes, as well as doing skits, singing and dancing for their audience and any of those playing pool in the Rec. Center.

There were five members in this amusing band of comedians; Zach, the ringleader, Seth, a short guy who liked to do "the worm", Seth D., often seen in drag, Aaron, a delinquent after the new guy and Andrew, the new guy.

Their first skit was a hilarious act about Bush choosing Arnold Schwarzenegger as his running partner, and how the duo would not only fight tax hikes, but robots that are bent on controlling the world. Along with making fun of our political heads, the Late Night Players managed to tie in a message with nearly every skit that encouraged our youth to vote.

Not only doing political jokes, they did "knock, knock" jokes; a segment where they showed Seth's butt, dancing skits, a skit about masturbation, one about obesity, "rock, paper, scissors" alternatives such as "Olsen Twins, Baldwin Twins, and Bush Twins," and they remade our Alma Mater from phrases found on our Web site.

With their crazy antics and light hearted attitude, there wasn't a single seat in the room that wasn't laughing or crying in delight and all who came left with a smile.

After the show, they aired a taped version of the debate, so that no one missed the vital points that our presidential candidates made. It was a hilarious show and all who missed it really missed out.

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Remember Bogie Louinstein from "10 Things I Hate About You?" If you thought he was funny on screen, you should have seen him on the stage at Huff's on Monday, Oct. 4.

I have been to comedy shows all around the country, from the Twin Cities to the Florida Keys, all the way to New York City. You could even say I'm a bit of a comedy junkie, and Kyle Cease, a featured comedian sponsored

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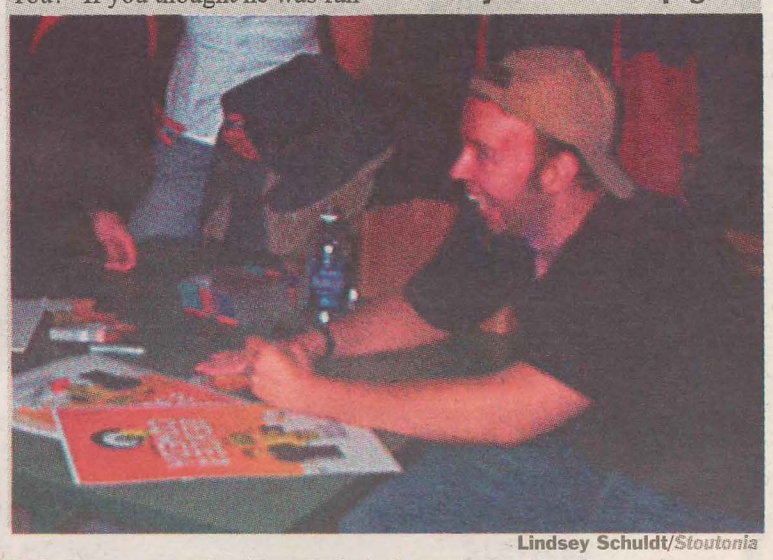

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Kyle Cease entertained fans both during and after the show as he wowed them with his humor and then signed the deal with an autograph.

Shark Tale flounders in the sea

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Columnist

After I'd been watching "Shark Tale" for a while, I began to wonder how the pitch meeting for the movie must have gone. I couldn't help but picture some slick hustler fast-talking a roomful of studio executives at Dreamworks to get "Shark Tale" green-lighted.

"All right," he says, "you know how 'Finding Nemo' raked it in at the box office? Well, have we got something for you!

"Sure, we got your underwater world and we got your neurotic fish, but we do it all and add a twist of our own: we set the whole thing in an underwater version of Times Square. And we'll make it a cross between 'Finding Nemo' and 'The Sopranos.'"

"The kids'll eat it up," he continues, indicating charts pinned up on the wall behind him. "Our surveys say that kids love cute fish characters. Not only that, but the underwater city angle will give us a whole bunch of 'in' jokes to keep the grownups happy.

"And get this." He pauses for dramatic effect. "We've signed Will Smith."

At which point the room breaks out into an orgy of self-congratulatory high-fives.

Okay, maybe I'm being a little unfair. There really is a soulless quality to this one. It's as if the marketing department of Dreamworks wrote the screenplay.

The animation's good enough and often looks pretty, but there's nothing new or innovative. Technically speaking, there's nothing here that wasn't done just as well, if not better, in "Finding Nemo."

There is one technical area in which "Shark Tale" excels, though, and that is character design. It takes a while to set in, but it's uncanny how closely the animated fish characters' faces resemble the voice actors. There are no noses, ears or eyebrows, yet the faces unmistakably belong to Will Smith, Jack Black, Angelina Jolie and Robert De Niro. It's almost eerie at times.

Too bad the rest of the movie sucks. "Shark Tale" is set in an underwater urban center periodically terrorized by gangster sharks. The main characters, despite the aforementioned big-name voice talent, are essentially cardboard cutouts. The script tries to compensate for its lack of story with an endless supply of pop culture gags, but these quickly wear out their welcome.

What story there is concerns an ambitious fish by the name of Oscar (voiced by Will Smith) who becomes an unlikely champion when an anchor accidentally kills a shark that was trying to eat him.

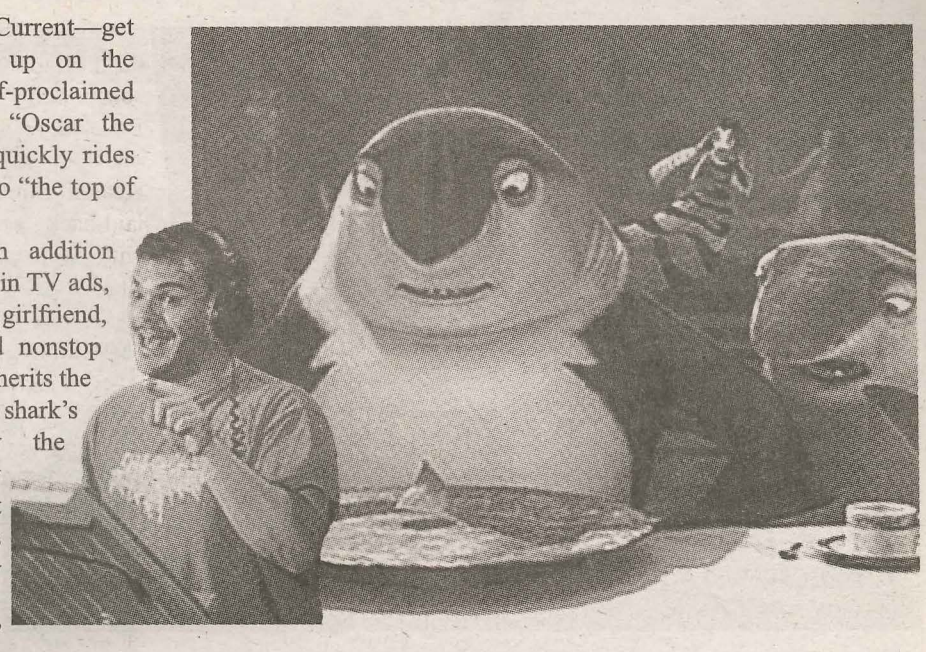
Oscar builds up the story behind this to make himself a hero, and before long the underwater media (in the person of reporter Katie Current—get it? Get it?) picks up on the story. Soon the self-proclaimed "nobody" becomes "Oscar the Shark Slayer," and quickly rides his newfound fame to "the top of the reef."

Unfortunately, in addition to getting his picture in TV ads, a hot gold-digger girlfriend, oodles of cash, and nonstop parties. Oscar also inherits the wrath of the deceased shark's family, particularly the dont's (appropriately voiced by Robert De Niro), who vows revenge on the cocky young hero.

"Shark Tale" passes muster for a garden-variety kids' movie, but there's not much to recommend it. For a while it's fun to spot the endless references to pop culture, but it soon grows tiresome. I think I personally had enough when I saw a billboard for "Coral-Cola."

In short, "Shark Tale" is an inferior "Finding Nemo" clone that jettisons, the likeable characters and emotion of its source material in favor of product placements and cheap humor. It's heavy-handed, shallow, and too many of its jokes die on delivery.

Its only defense is that it's a kids' movie, but that only goes so far. With luck, "Shark Tale" will only be a bump in the road as Dreamworks goes on to make better movies. It gets a floundering 2 out of 5.



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(top) Jack Black does the voice of the shunned vegetarian shark Lenny. (middle) Will Smith gives the brave shark-slayer Oscar, a familiar voice. (bottom) Angelina Jolie's sultry voice gives the money-hungry Lola her trademark sex appeal.

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Tues. Oct. 12	7 p.m. Amateur Drag Show
Wed. Oct. 13	8 p.m. Comedian: Reno Collier
Thur. Oct. 14	12 p.m. Couch-A-Thon Starts
Fri. Oct. 15	4:30 p.m. Couch-A-Thon Ends
	7 p.m. Stunt Night
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Comedy/a lasting act

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by the Blue Devil Productions Comedy Series, was hysterical.

I was skeptical at first, going to see a comedian from several teen movie flicks (including the above mentioned "10 Things I Hate about You" and "Not Another Teen Movie"), but five minutes into his performance, I was laughing so much it hurt.

Not your average comedian, Cease has performed on Jay Leno's "The Tonight Show", and Conan O'Brian's "The Late Show" and is used to performing in front of theaters packed full of people. The smaller, calmer atmosphere in Huff's reminded him of hanging out at a bar with friends, which is probably why the comedy was so enjoyable.

Cease curved his routine to fit the differences in community and background at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. He was amazed and amused to find out there is actually a major called 'packaging' and even more amazed and amused that the only recreation he saw in Menomonie was a 24-hour Wal-mart.

Never taking himself seriously, Cease performed for an hour and a half and kept the audience bent over with laughter the entire evening.

Between singing baking songs in his best Julia Child voice, singing the Nintendo song, ripping on his ex-girlfriend and giving the audience his signature Bogie Louinstien smile, Cease also found time to pick on members of the audience who were leaving the room, stating, "If she's not back in two minutes, you know she's [pooping]!"

One of the best parts of the entire show was the finale, when Cease, to the sound of music, reenacted his entire comedy act in slow motion. It was absolutely hilarious. After the show, he stuck around to sign autographs and have friendly conversation with his new found fans.

This show could have been family friendly had it not been for the profanity, jokes about midgets and the subtle adult humor. But then again, that is exactly what made Cease so funny. He wasn't vulgar or overtly loud, but found the perfect median for his audience. This is definitely an act that should come back to UW-Stout.

When asked what his favorite part of UW-Stout was, Cease looked at the girls standing in front of him waiting for an autograph and put his hands out. "What's not to love?" he asked. Yes, UW-Stout does love Kyle Cease.

RTV/ one vote can change all

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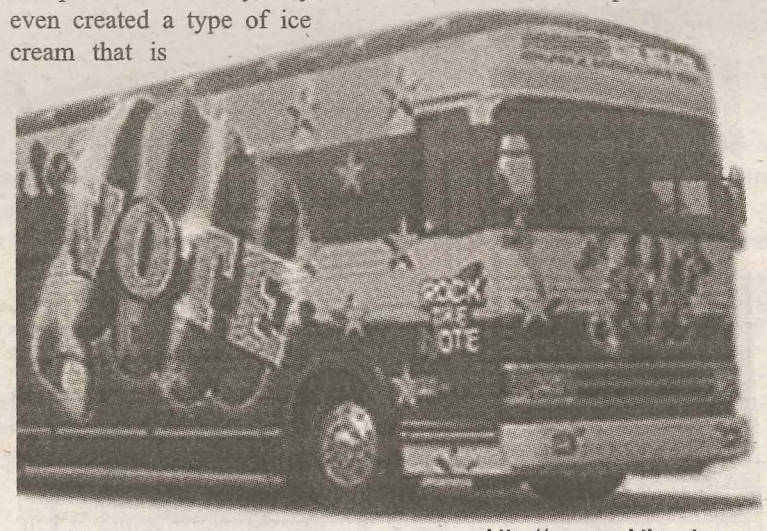
single, "Girl on the Verge." Also, Dan Dyer will be singing songs off his album, Of What Lies Beneath, and is thought to have a bluesy-rock sound to his music. Keaton Simons is the featured laid-back acoustic singer, also with a newly released album, Currently.

Declare Yourself Poets are a performing group who are part of the organization, Declare Yourself, which puts out commercials featuring young adults with their lips nailed, stitched or duck-taped. Their act consists of poetry that promotes voting amongst the young generation.

Ben and Jerry's will also be at the event giving out more ice cream than one would ever imagine. In the spirit of democracy, they have even created a type of ice cream that is strawberry flavored with chunks of strawberries and a graham cracker swirl. Anyone can go to their Web-site and vote on a name for their democracy treat. They will be serving that flavor, along with other favorites.

But wait, there's more. There are even more attractions coming to the park located next to the student center, on Third Street, like inflatable games to play on, vendors, voting registration, and information about all of the candidates. And best of all, it is all free. All of this is because RTV just wants to see campus students use their freedom to vote, no matter who they are voting for.

To top it all off, The John Lennon Bus, a non-profit mobile recording studio and multi-media demonstration center is going to be on campus for anyone who wants to check it out. The bus has been around since 1998, going to many organizations and schools, giving free, hands-on experience to students around the nation. The bus encourages students to be musical in any way possible.



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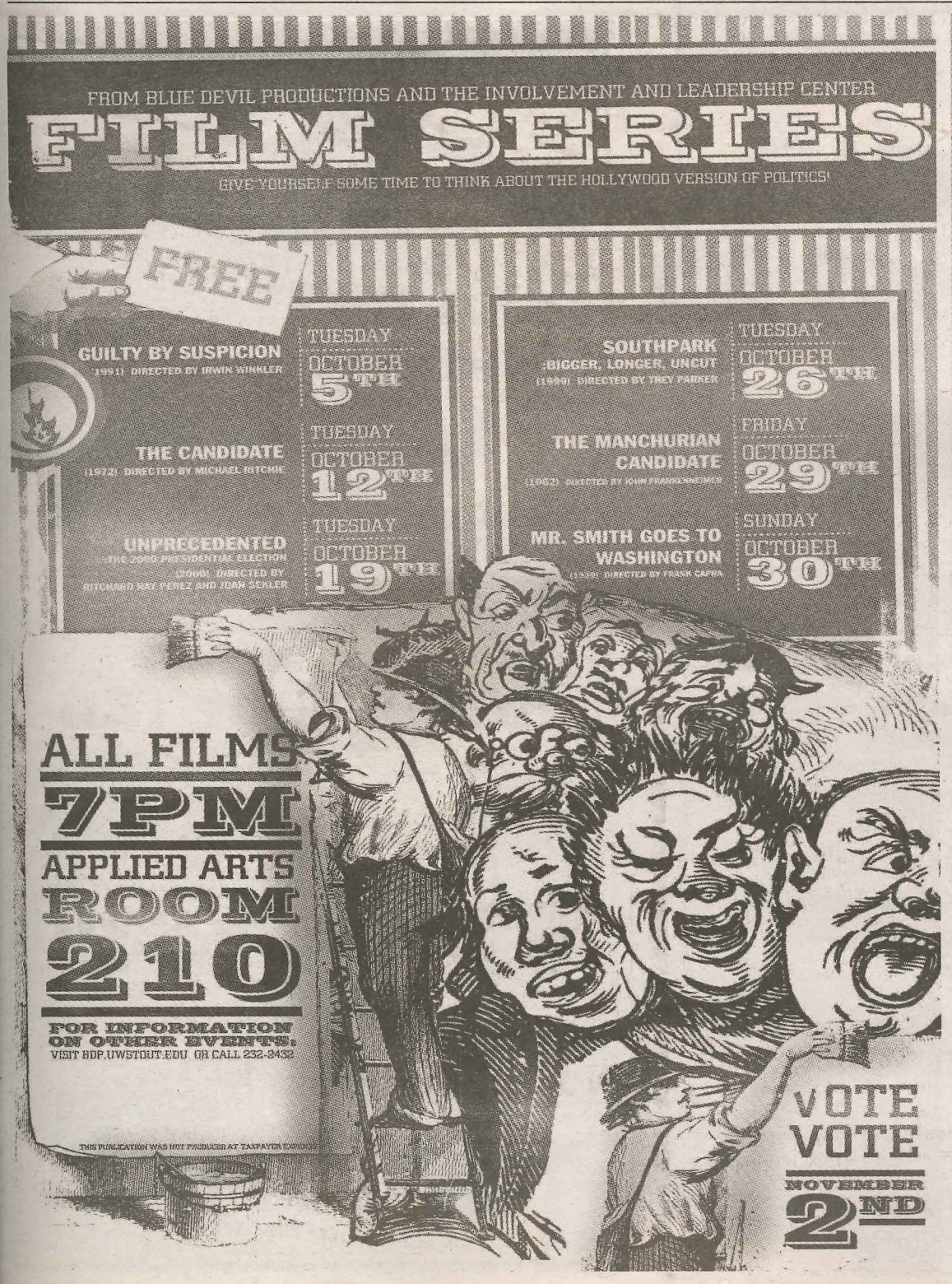

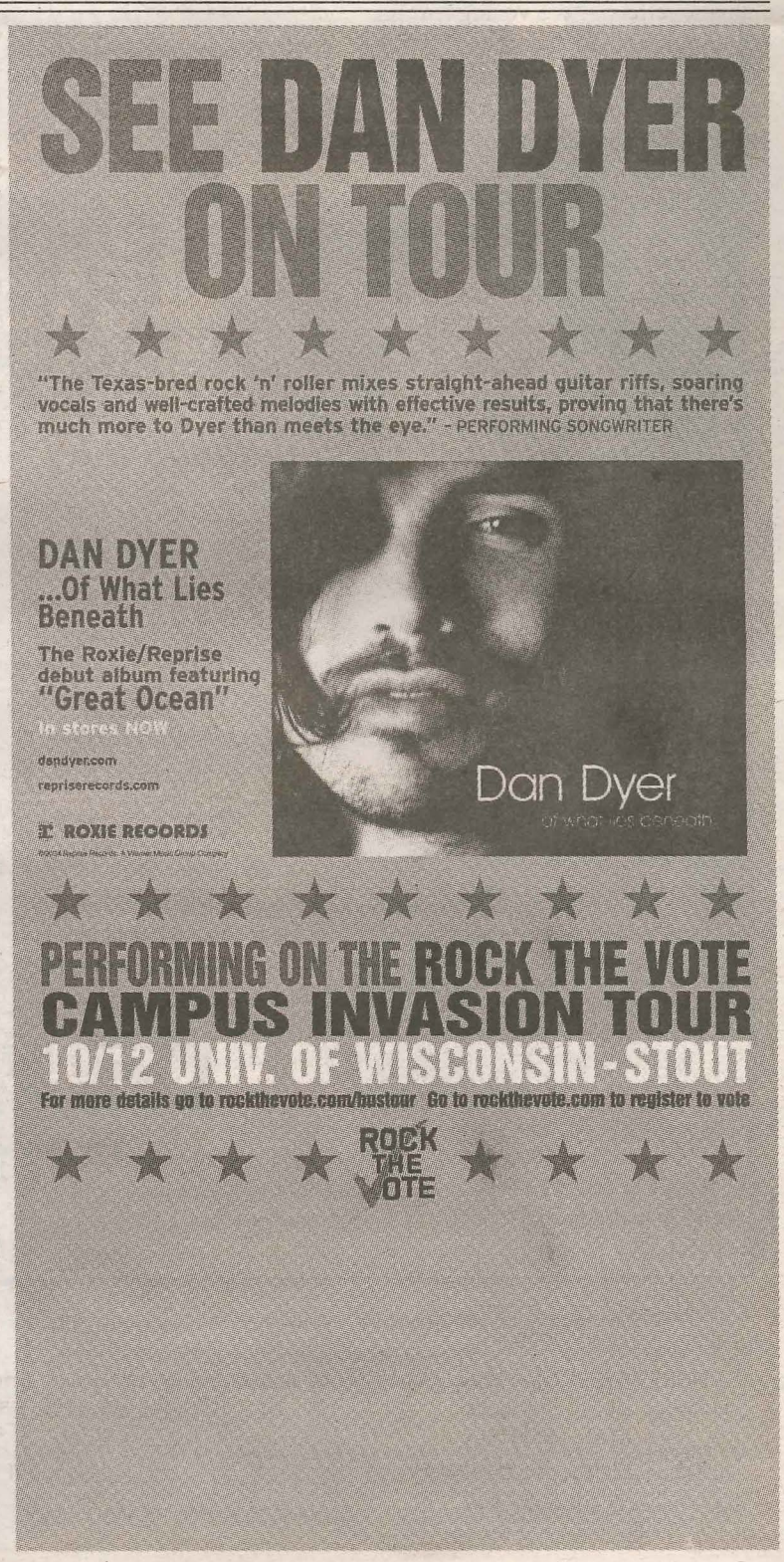

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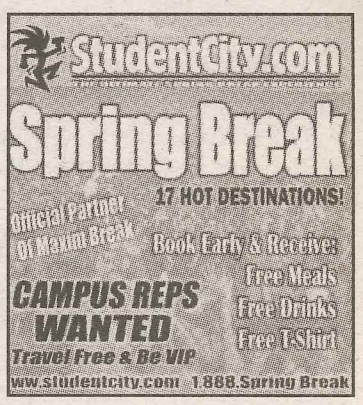

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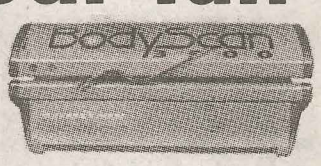

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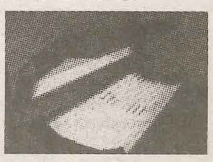

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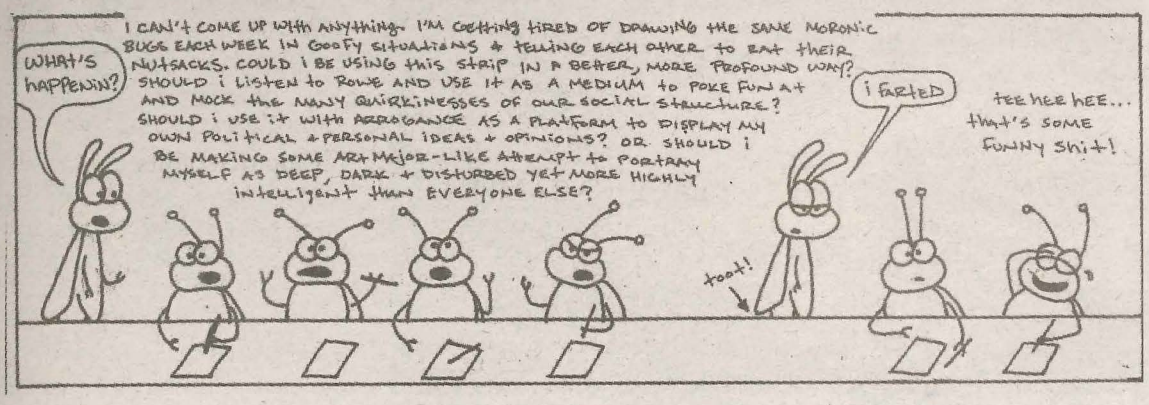

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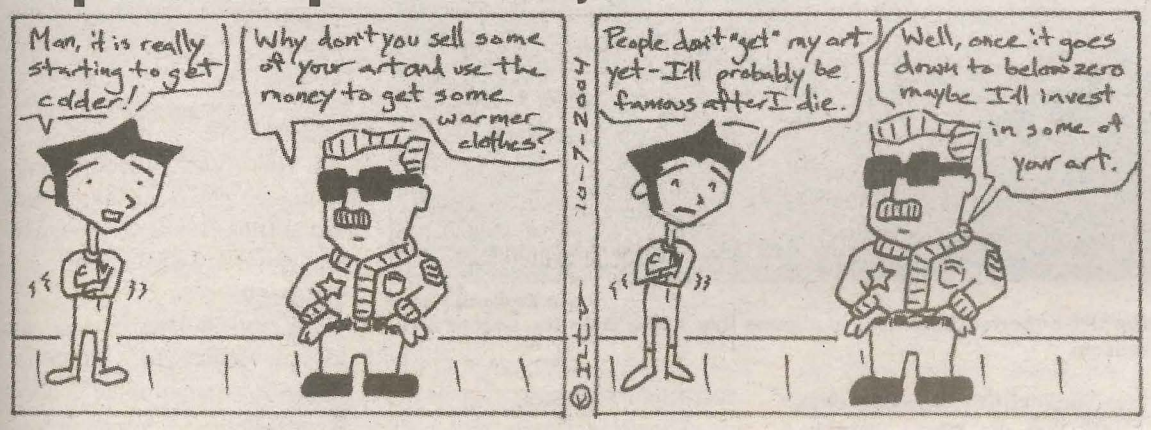

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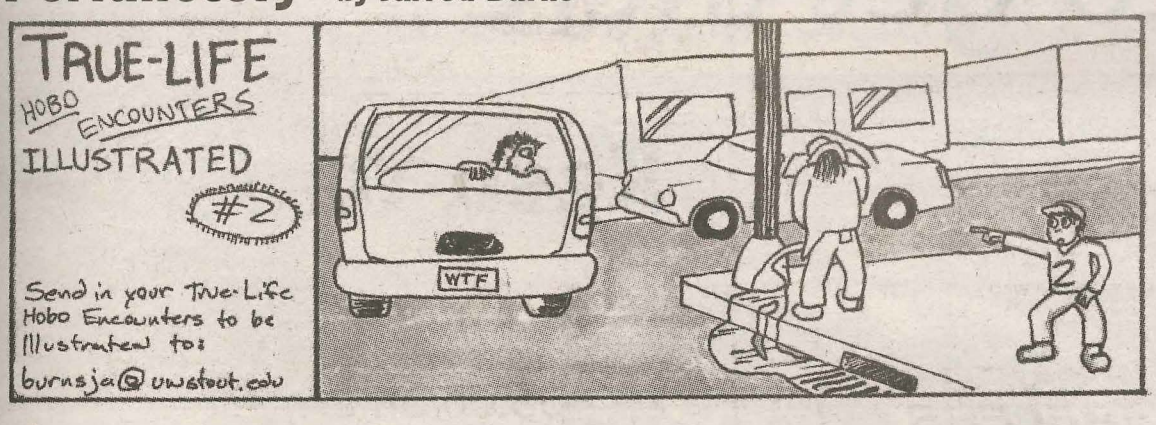

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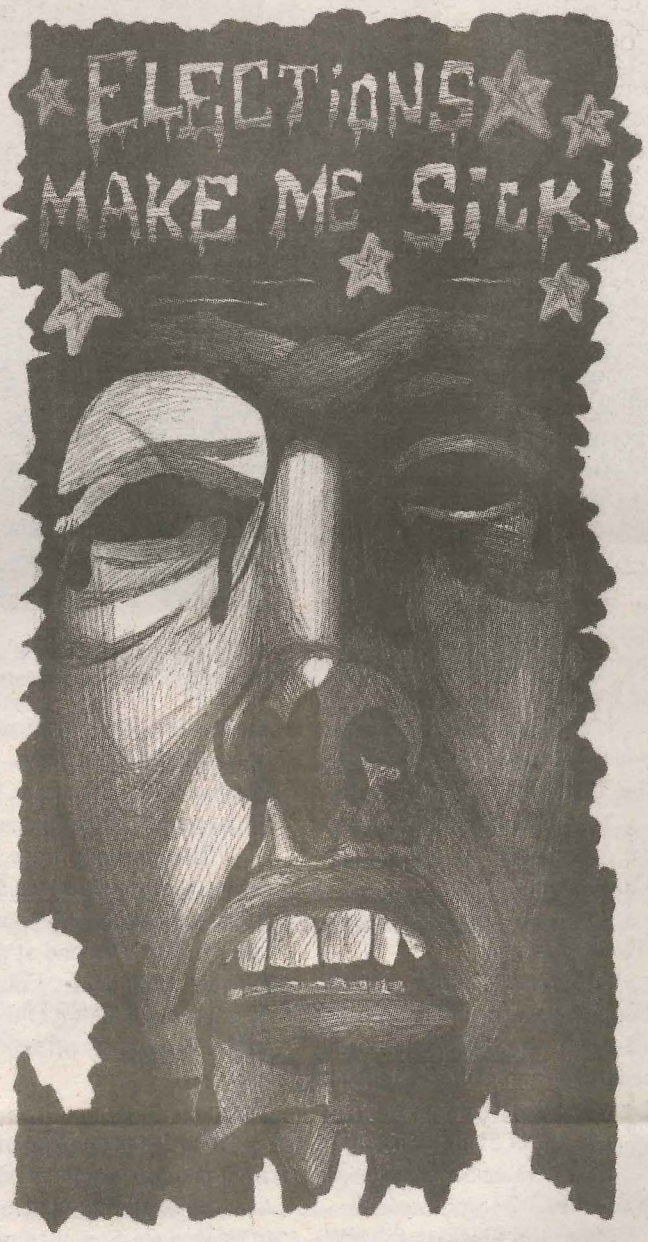

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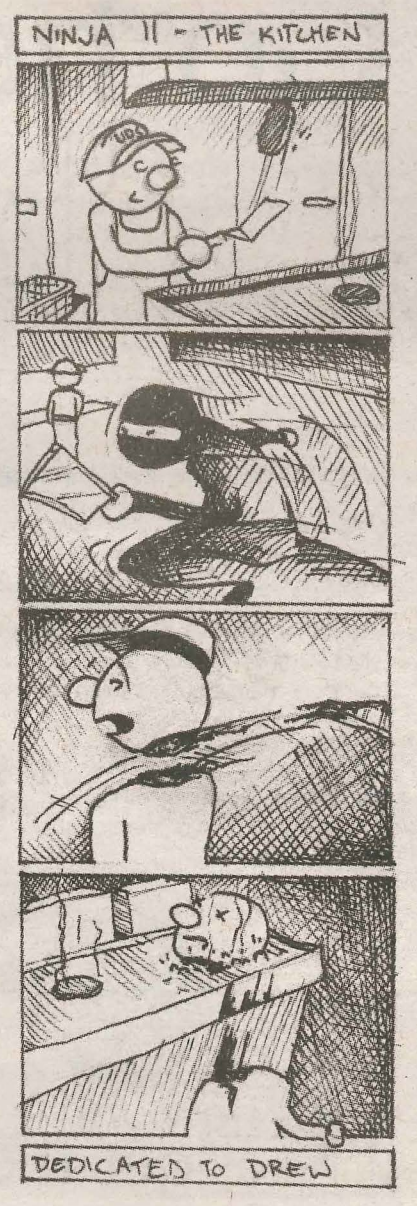
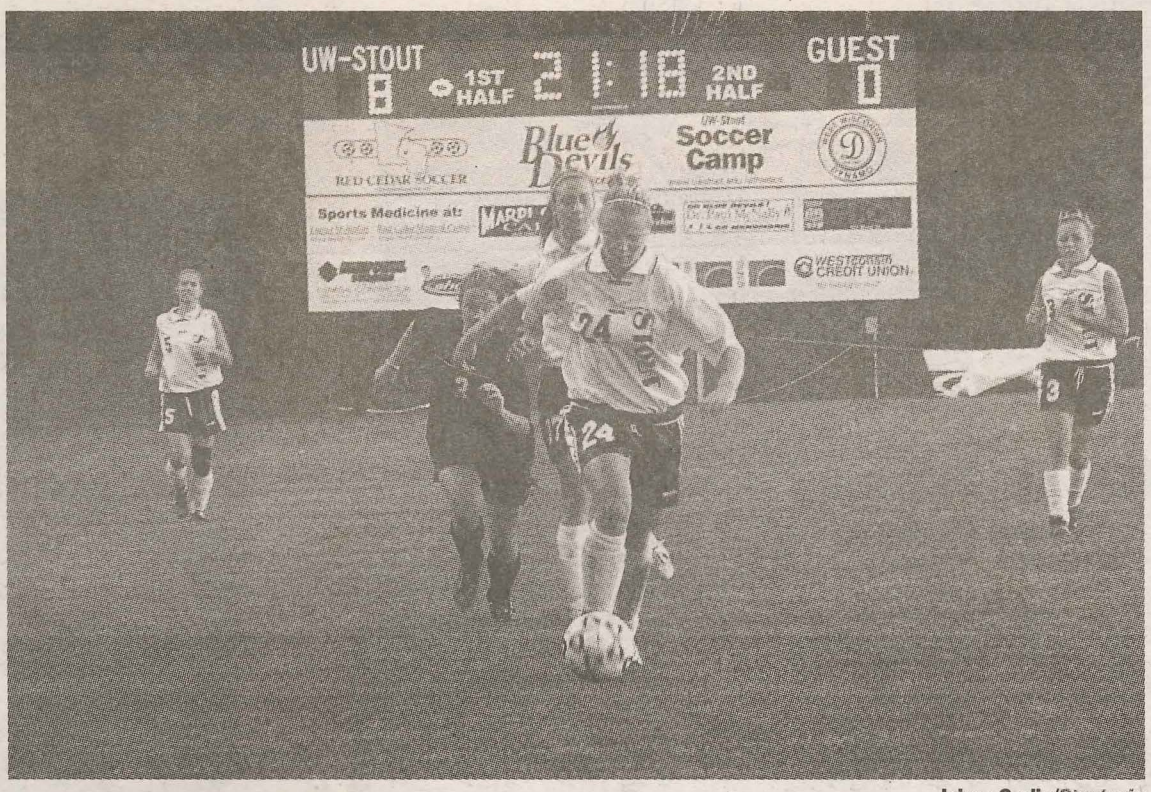


This week in Blue Devil athletics

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor



Jaime Carlin/*Stoutonia*

Kelly Stolarczyk breaks away from the UW-Superior defenders in a game this week. Both the soccer and football teams are undefeated this season.

Football

The Blue Devil football team scored a school record of 65 points as they stomped Waldorf College 65-7 on Oct. 2 in Iowa.

Waldorf opened the scoring early in the first quarter, but it would be all the action the Warriors would see as the Blue Devils lit up the board on offense and defense.

Ryan Englebert had a big day for the University of Wisconsin-Stout, as he carried the ball 22 times for 172 yards and three touchdowns.

Quarterback Nick Ohman also got in on the scoring, with three touchdown passes to three different receivers.

Joe Seep had two interceptions for the Blue Devils as Waldorf threw four interceptions in the game.

UW-Stout held the Warriors to just 163 total yards, while the Blue Devils had 399 total yards.

The Blue Devils will face the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater on Oct. 9.

Cross Country

The men's cross country team took part in the NCAA Division III Pre-National tournament on Oct. 1. Sophomore Nate Haeny led the Blue Devils, placing 37th out of 216 runners.

Haeny finished the race in 26 minutes, 42 seconds.

Other top finishers for UW-Stout were Ryan Chernik, who placed 64th, and John Ullrich, placing 95th. The team finished 14th overall out of 23 teams.

The women's team has not been in action since the Sept. 25 meet at St. Marys. The women's team finished second at the invitational. Both teams return to action when the Beloit Old English Invitational kicks off on Oct 9.

Tennis

The Blue Devil tennis team won its third straight match when the team defeated the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point 5-4.

It was the first time since 1997 that the tennis team had won three straight matches.

UW-Stout only won one of the doubles matches but showed the Pointers up by winning four of the six single matches.

Grace Brothen and Nicole Hayek won the only doubles match for UW-Stout, while Brothen, Tina Rodin, Marie Pingry and Elizabeth Hanson all won singles matches for UW-Stout.

The team's previous two victories came in an 8-1 win over Marian College and a 5-4 win over Ripon College.

The Blue Devils will host UW-Oshkosh on Oct. 8 and University of Chicago on Oct. 9.

Volleyball

After losing a close match to the 12th ranked UW-Whitewater, the Blue Devils looked to bounce back against the 19th ranked University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Oct. 2.

Senior Brook Viegut led the Blue Devils to victory over the Titans as she slammed 23 kills and recorded 26 digs, leading UW-Stout to a 3-1 victory.

Tanille Hartwig and Lindsay Mensink were also in the mix for the Blue Devils, as Hartwig had 16 kills and Mensink finished the night with 12.

The Blue Devils are currently ranked fifteenth in the nation and hold a record of 12-3.

UW-Stout wll be at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville for an invitational on Oct. 8 and 9.

Soccer

The UW-Stout soccer team continued their winning streak as the Blue Devils won big over the University of Wisconsin-Superior 9-0.

Kelly Stolarczyk was the leading scorer for UW-Stout. Stolarczyk scored three goals in the first half.

Shannon Hermes was second in scoring, getting two goals in the second half.

The win is the Blue Devils' ninth straight and the shutout was the seventh of the season.

UW-Stout will host Beloit College on Oct. 8 and will be at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire on Oct. 12.

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Soccer / *keeping on the winning track*

The journey has only begun, however, because the soccer team has only faced three out of the eight Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference teams.

Senior Melissa Ballweg currently holds a school record with eight shutouts for her career at UW-Stout.

Her efforts in the goal are one of the many reasons why it is hard to score on the Blue Devils.

"I'm liking the view of the team this year," said head coach Dave Morris. "There are some good veterans that returned this season, and there looks to be some talented young players."

Six of the leading scorers from last year returned this season for the Blue Devils.

Midfielder Carrie Schrank, junior forward Kelly Stolarczyk and sophomore forward Shannon Hermes round out a group of players who bring raw talent with veteran playing experience.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has a lot of depth this season, which allows the team to have different players who provide solid leadership.

"Schrank is a great talented player and she takes leadership when it comes time," said Morris.

In the last five games, the Blue Devils have averaged eight goals per game while their opponents have averaged .6 of a goal.

"It's not the player who scores the most goals. Because it's a team sport everyone gets the credit," said Hight. "Heidi Schultz is one of our midfielders and she shows up everyday and gives 110 percent."

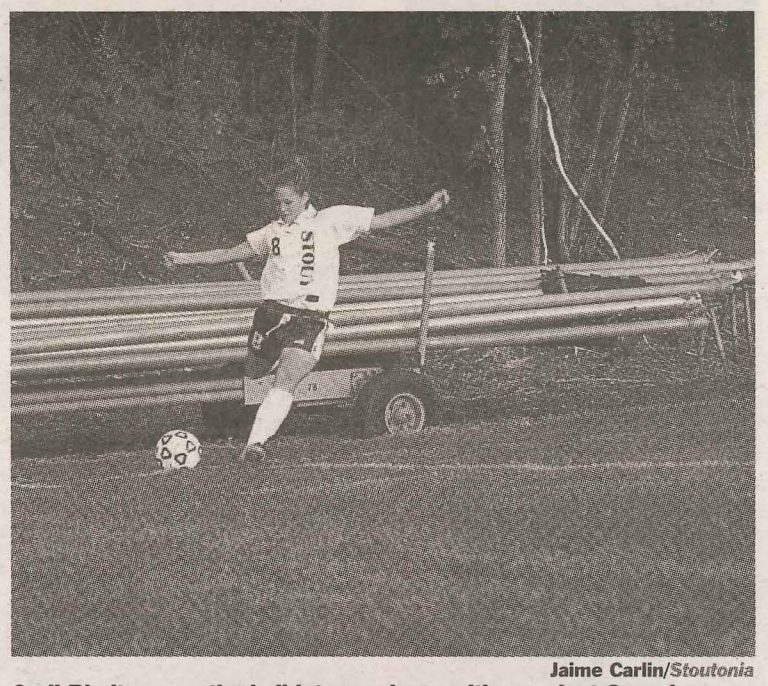
If there is one thing that the Blue Devils know, it is that every player on the team counts.

"Our most dominant and dynamic player is Heidi Schultz," said Kristi Symons. "She is extremely smart and very hard to defend and is usually the girl other teams try to take out because they can't handle her."

The second half of the season for the University of Wisconsin-Stout is full of challenges.

The next game the girls play is against Beloit College.

The game will be at UW-Stout at 7 p.m. at Williams' field.



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Carli Rindt moves the ball into scoring position against Superior. UW-Stout won the match 9-0 on Tuesday.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Tailback Ryan Englebert was a key offensive weapon in the 65-7 win last weekend over Waldorf University.

Englebert ate up the yardage against the Warriors, accumulating a total of 172 yards over 22 carries.

His longest run of the day was a 66-yard run for a Blue Devil touchdown.

His other two touchdowns on the day were on an eight yard and two yard run.

In the first three games of the season, Englebert has racked up a total of 352 total yards and six touchdowns. He averages 117 rushing yards per game and in 56 rushing attempts has only fumbled once.

Englebert has also caught the ball 10 times this season for 30 yards.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(3-0)

The football team won 65-7 against Waldorf on Oct. 2

Next Game:
Oct. 9 at Whitewater

Cross Country

Pre-Nationals:
Men: 14th Women: off
Next Meet:
Oct. 9 at Beloit Old English Invitational

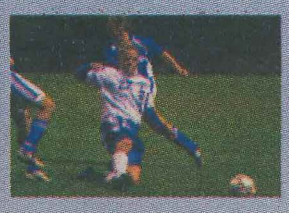
Tennis
(4-6)

The tennis team won over Stevens Point 5-4
Next Match:
Oct. 8 hosting University of Chicago

Soccer
(7-0-1)

The soccer team won 9-0 over Superior

Next Match:
Oct. 8 at Beloit College



Volleyball
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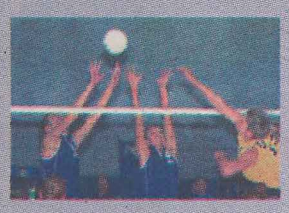
The volleyball team defeated Oshkosh 3-1
Next Game:
Oct. 8-9 at Platteville Invitational



Waterski team still peaking

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Photo Courtesy of UW-Stout waterski club

The UW-Stout waterski team poses with their brand new boat. The team has had many accomplishments over the past season. The barefoot team took second at nationals out of 20 teams.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout waterski team has been in existence for seven years. When it started, there was just a handful of members, who lacked a boat and team equipment. The team has since taken leaps and bounds to become ranked 8th at regional competitions against Big Ten Schools.

In 2002, the team worked out a deal with boat manufacturers and now receives a new boat each fall and sells it at the end of the school year in May. Currently, they are using a 2005 Moomba.

The team has grown considerably over the last few years, but many of the members who were instrumental in starting the team are graduating this year. However, the team is excited to have a large group of new members who are willing to step up and do a lot for the team.

"I'm very glad to see the new leadership emerge from a growing team," said Steve Jones, a senior in technical education and a former board member.

"We have a very supportive team, and we all have a blast together at tournaments and practices," said Tatum Treland, waterski team president.

The team has risen to a level of Big Ten competition and has proven themselves at many competitions this fall. The team travels almost every weekend to compete against other schools from all over the Midwest.

"Tournaments are a lot of fun. They are a great opportunity to hang out with students from different schools every weekend," said Matt Wagner, a freshman in technical education and the board member in charge of maintenance. "They also give you a great opportunity to get to know everyone on the team really well."

The season was started at the Collegiate Extreme Championships, which were held at the Tommy Bartlett ski site in Wisconsin Dells. The team competed in Collegiate Barefoot Nationals and the Wakeboard Extreme Championships.

The barefoot team came home with a second place finish out of 20 teams nationwide.

Top finishers include Nate Birchler, who took third overall, while Jason Stanek, Dan Lundt, and Steve Jones all finished in the top 10. Tatum Treland took sixth in the women's division.

The wakeboard team did not have a full roster but still finished sixth overall. Phil Murtha was the top finisher in his class and made it into semi-finals.

The next tournament the team participated in was Duals Conference, which was held in Wilmington, Ill. on Sept. 17-19.

It is the nation's largest collegiate waterski tournament with 32 teams participating. UW-Stout really pulled through at this tournament and made a name for themselves, coming in seventh overall.

Next, the team traveled to the Great Plains Conference on Sept. 24-26. In order to progress to regionals, the team had to place in the top nine.

The team made it to regionals for the second year in a row, finishing in sixth place.

Highlights include Steve Joness jump of 104 feet and Dan Lundt's personal best jump of 94 feet.

Jones placed third overall. Katie Cantwell was also the top women's jumper, going over 46 feet.

This past weekend, the team finished its fall competitive season with their trip to Wilmington, Il for regionals. There were 17 in attendance, including big names like UW-Madison, Purdue, Michigan State, Iowa State, Kansas University and Kansas State.

The weather conditions were less than perfect; cold, with high winds. Nonetheless, the UW-Stout team ranked 8th overall, missing a chance at Nationals by only 3 places.

"Overall, it was a great tournament and a lot of fun," said Treland. "We hope to only get better and keep surprising all of the big schools in the Midwest Conference, maybe another shot at Nationals next year."

Tournaments are over now until the spring season, which begins in April with the Iowa State Tournament. Practices will continue until it is too cold or the lake freezes.

Practices are daily from about 3 p.m. until dark. Anyone interested in joining the team should go to the weekly Wednesday meeting at 7 p.m. in the MSC or check out the website at http// www.uwstoutwaterski.com

Soccer team still remains unbeaten

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The Blue Devil womens soccer team knows only how to win this season. In 10 games, the team has yet to face defeat.

"I think the team looks great this year," said senior Krista Hight. Hight said this is the best year for being a senior or even being part of the team.

As the schedule passes the half way point, Hight and the rest of the Blue Devils could not ask for more than to continue to keep their season perfect. On Friday, the soccer team played an important game against the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

The Blue Devils defeated the Pointers 4-2.

"We have never beat Steven's Point, so we have nothing to lose," said Hight. "On the other hand they had everything to lose."

So far this year, the soccer teams' only non-win was a tie with Gustavus Adolphus.

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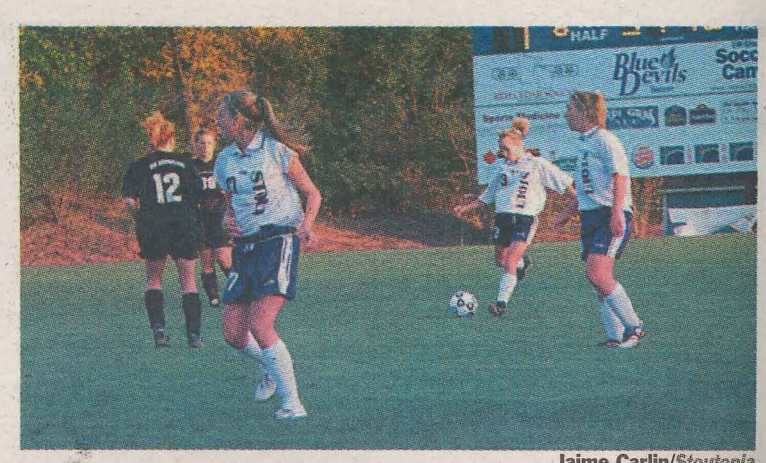

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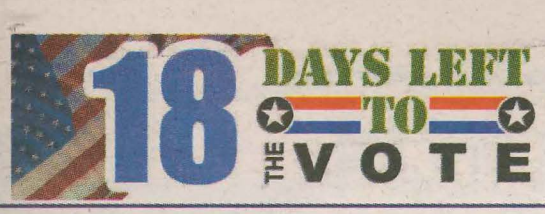
The Lady Blue Devil soccer team has won nine games this season. The team is undefeated this season.



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Stout awarded federal assault grant

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has recently been awarded a grant from the Department of Justice to increase the awareness of programs relating to sexual assaults against women.

The grant has been awarded in the amount of $200,000, and is payable over the next two years. The money is specifically allocated to programs regarding sexual assaults.

The program to be started with the grant money will be called the Campus Violence Prevention Project. The project will implement educational and post-violence services in coordination with other campus and regional services to reduce overall violence, and to provide better outreach to victims.

"The campus felt there was a need to have these services," said Robin Abraham, Psy.D. "We felt [the grant] was a great opportunity to increase these services."

Abraham has coordinated this grant through the UW-Stout counseling center.

The grant will be used to hire a new full-time project coordinator.

Recent research from the Department of Justice has shown that a great number of sexual assaults and rapes go unreported every year due in part to victim's lack of knowledge regarding programs like these. The Department of Justice has been awarding the grants to increase the programs offered, as well as increase the awareness of these programs.

Increased awareness of the programs will allow women to better educate themselves about sexual assaults and hopefully prevent future assaults, but also to give them resources to use if an assault should happen.

The grant will also be used to bring all agencies that would work with sexual assault together, to better streamline services. This will hopefully make services for victims easier, as communication between police, counseling services and medical services could be made stronger so that victims do not feel as if they were just another statistic.

"We will be working with all agencies that either provide preventative or post violence services," said Lisa Walter, Chief of university police.

The research from the Department of Justice suggests that there is an average of four women out of every 1,000 who are raped during a school year time period at a university. Based on the population of UW-Stout, there would be an estimated 100-140 rapes per school year. Four rapes were reported in calendar year 2003 to University Police, suggesting that many of these assaults go unreported.

The Department of Justice defines rape as unwanted penetration due to threat or force. This definition excludes many other sexual assaults that do not include rape, but are very serious in nature.

This new program will aid many of the programs being offered by various services, making the entire effort more uniform and effective for students.

"Some of the programming that [University Police] does not might be done by this office," said Walter.

This would cover programs such as pamphlets for prevention that are currently done by University Police. The new program also will make a large effort to get information out to students through peer delivery, making the information easier to digest for students that might be apprehensive about going to the counseling center or police.

In addition to peer delivery, much of the information will hopefully be moved online, so that students who may have questions regarding services can access information at any time. This will increase education by making information accessible, and also making the information available immediately for

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Campus Violence Protection Project

Campus Groups Benefiting from Funds

- Dean of Students
- UW-Stout Police
- Learning Technology Services
- Housing & Residence Life
- University Counseling Center
- International Student Services
- Aspire Services
- Multicultural Student Services
- New Student Orientation Program
- Equality for Women Committee
- Peer Health Educators-Student Health Services
- Stout Student Association
- Greek Organizations Advisor
- Student Athletic Committee

Off-Campus Groups Benifiting from Funds

- Bridge to Hope
- SANE Program of Dunn County
- Menomonie Police Department
- Victim/Witness Assistance Program: Office of D.A., Dunn County

Photo illustration by Brad Birling

The grant from the Department of Justice to create the Campus Violence Protection Project will unite a variety of groups for a common cause.

Reciprocity not in danger

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Reciprocity between Minnesota and Wisconsin has been in place in some form since the enactment of Chapter 286 in 1965. This gave higher education the power to form agreements with other state institutions regarding tuition costs.

This agreement has allowed colleges on the border of states to exchange students freely, giving students a greater choice of institutions to attend, making a greater choice of programs they can earn degrees in, without having to pay out-of-state tuition.

Due to this agreement, a large portion of students that attend the University of Wisconsin-Stout are from Minnesota. Being so close to the border, UW-Stout is able to offer Minnesota residents programs that may not be available at other schools, and while also being close to home.

Students have been concerned recently that this agreement might be cut, due to information circulating amongst the student population. If this program were to be changed, it would impact a large amount of students, and if it were cut, it would have an even larger impact on UW-Stout.

Many Minnesota residents that attend UW-Stout were concerned that if the program were cut, they would no longer be able to attend UW-Stout, and would be forced to move back to Minnesota. This would create havoc for students as they would try to find similar programs back at Minnesota institutions, and work through the transfer of credits already earned.

"There are no changes that I am aware of," said Connie Hutchison, Executive Secretary of the Higher Educational Aids Board. "At least a four-year notice would be required to cancel the agreement."

This current information circulating amongst students may have originated with a document released in July 2004 by the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau, stating that the Minnesota Higher Education Services Office (MHESO) was not satisfied with the current agreement with the Wisconsin Higher Education Aids Board (HEAB).

Currently, the State of Wisconsin contributes about $3.1 million per year to the University of Minnesota for students from Wisconsin attending Minnesota schools.

This payment is part of the reciprocity agreement to

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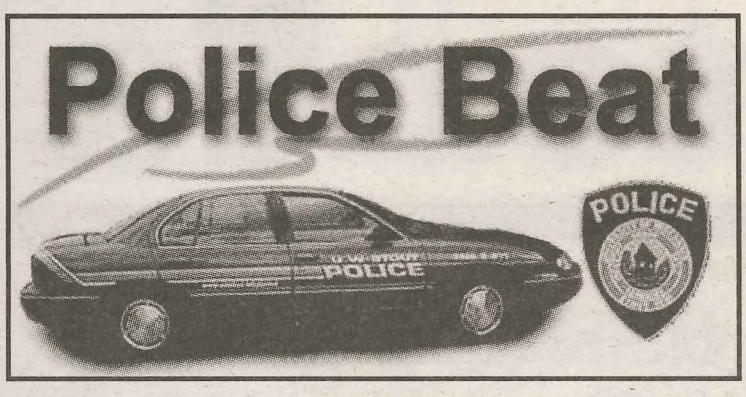

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Oct. 6 to Oct. 12
First offense underage drinking: 2 Second offense underage drinking: 2 Disorderly Conduct: 1

Wrong weed, fool
Police were notified on Oct. 6 that a Ryobi weed eater was stolen out of a truck in UW-Stout parking lot 4. The owner of the truck reported that the weed eater was stolen during the 20 to 25 minutes her son had the truck parked in lot 4. The passenger in the truck at the time notice it was missing when they left the lot. The driver and passenger looked around but did not find anyone who they think took the weed eater. Police checked around the stadium near lot 4 but did not find the weed eater.

More broken elevators
On Oct. 7, police received a report of trapped persons in the CKTO elevator on the first level of the building. Police and the Menomonie Fire Department arrived to assist the people in the elevator. Police turned off the power to the elevator and the Menomonie Fire Department opened the elevator, releasing the people trapped inside. The elevator was secured on the first floor and placed out of commission until the correct people are contacted and the elevator is repaired.

Not cool dudes
A Menomonie ambulance was dispatched on Oct. 8 in response to an anonymous report of an injured male bleeding in parking lot 1. Upon police arrival, a male victim was found leaning on a concrete base bleeding profusely from his nose and eye. The victim reported that he was "jumped" by two males. The first male approached him, asking for a cigarette. As the victim was replying that he did not smoke, the second male hit him from behind. The victim fell to the ground and both males continued punching him. The two males fled leaving the victim on the ground with a broken nose and a deep cut between his left eye and temple. The victim did not see the male who hit him first, but described the male who approached him as white, college age, approximately 5' 11", clean shaven and of average build.

Dead sign
On Oct. 10 police observed a dead end street sign lying next to the UW-Stout Central Heating Plant. The sign belonged on 9th Ave. West in front of the heating plant. It appeared that the sign was pushed down, as the signpost was bent.

Easy open, easy stolen
A student reported on Oct. 10 that someone broke into his locked vehicle and stole his CD player. The student told police that though his vehicle was locked, it was very easy to unlock it without the key using a screwdriver and slipping something in to undo the lock. The student also reported that someone had written an obscenity on his passenger side window. There did not appear to be any physical damage to the vehicle.

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victims, so they can find out where to go and what to do if they are assaulted.

Other benefits will come from the increased partnership of various agencies, such as more accurate records and statistics regarding assaults.

Currently, only assaults reported to university police are registered in the crime statistics, but with the new program, police would receive statistical numbers from other agencies.

Students reporting assaults to various agencies would still have confidentiality, however statistical numbers would be exchanged between agencies, making for more accurate crime statistics.

"We are hoping that our numbers go up before they go down," said Walter. "[This would] show us that the program is working, and [victims] are reporting assaults."

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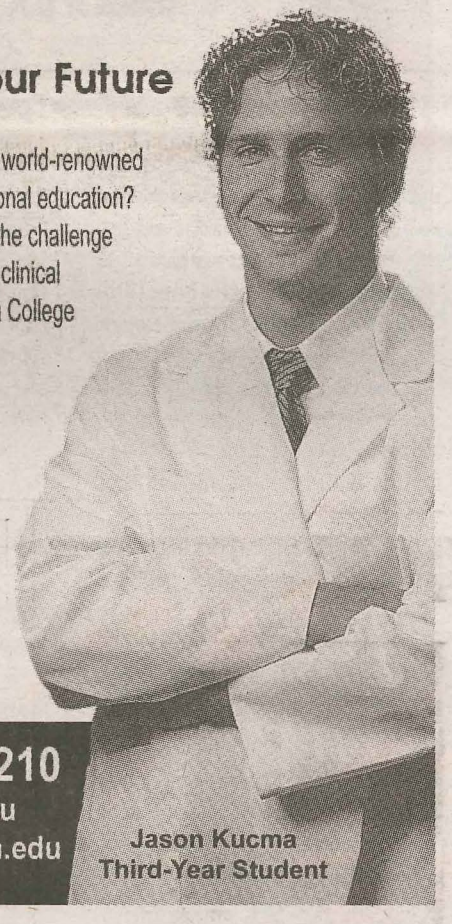

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NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Police were called to a local veteran's hall in Crystal, Minn. early Monday morning where they found a man dressed as Elvis convulsing on the floor. When the officers approached the man he jumped up, shouted "Viva Las Vegas," and began singing show tunes. During this ordeal, two women reported that another man dressed as "Jake" from the Blues Brothers movie had stolen their vehicle. The officers found the man driving the vehicle around a nearby airport. The man led the officers in a high-speed chase around the airport before the officers apprehended the man. The men were reported to be drinking before the morning's ordeal.

"Unprecedented: The 2000 Presidential Election" will be shown at 7 p.m. on Tuesday Oct. 19 in room 210 of Applied Arts. The film is part of the film series being presented by Blue Devil Productions.

The creator of the "Baby Think it Over" infant simulator, Mary Jurmain, will be on campus Oct. 19 and 20. Jurmain, the CEO of Realityworks, Inc., will speak at 4 p.m. on Oct. 19 in room 210 of Applied Arts.

Kappa Lambda Beta will hold their annual Rock-a-thon on Tuesday Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. in the courtyard near Bowman Hall. The event will last for 72 hours to raise money for the "Buckshot" Phalen scholarship. Phalen was a quadriplegic graduate of UW-Stout who went on to become a successful business owner. Phalen passed away in March 2003, and the scholarship was created in his honor to be given to a disabled UW-Stout student.

UW-Stout's chapter of Colleges Against Cancer will hold a "Think Pink" campaign beginning at 3 p.m. on Sunday Oct. 17. Students participating in the campaign will hang large pink ribbons in town and on campus to raise awareness for breast cancer. Students and the community are invited to "Breastfest" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20 in Ballroom C of the Memorial Student Center. During "Breastfest," students and the community can hear from breast cancer survivors and use donated cell phones to call family members and remind them of yearly check-ups.

The theme of Homecoming week for UW-Stout is "The Spirit of America: 50 States – 50 Times the Fun." The festivities will be held Oct. 11-16, culminating with UW-Stout's Blue Devils taking on UW-Stevens Point in a football game at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Williams Stadium.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced on Oct. 7 that $25.8 million is being given to Wisconsin to help low income families pay heating bills. The assistance comes from $1.2 billion that is available to various states and other agencies to help low income families with heating so they do not have to choose between having heat or other neccessities during hard winters. Individuals interested in applying should contact their local Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program agency.

Reciprocity / *no changes*

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make up for the difference from Wisconsin students paying in-state tuition at Minnesota universities.

The agreement allows students to pay tuition similar to what they would pay in their home state at another state's university. Based on what states contribute to education, this means that Wisconsin residents pay 14%-29% less than Minnesota residents at Minnesota schools. In Wisconsin, Minnesota residents pay more than Wisconsin residents, however only very slight amounts.

This disparity has made MHESO call for changes in the agreement that would require Wisconsin residents to pay the same tuition as Minnesota residents at Minnesota schools by 2007.

Current proposed changes would have no impact on students at UW-Stout.

"This has been discussed year after year," said Beth Resech, Director of Financial Aid at UW-Stout. Resech said that even though this is often discussed, there are usually only minimal changes, and current students would hopefully be grandfathered in to any changes.

College Tuition Costs per Semester

Wisconsin

University of Wisconsin-Stout

Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$3141.40
Minnesota Full-Time Undergradguate	$3153.30
Non-Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$8293.80

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$2933.12
Minnesota Full-Time Undergradguate	$3644.84
Non-Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$9933.08

Minnesota

University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

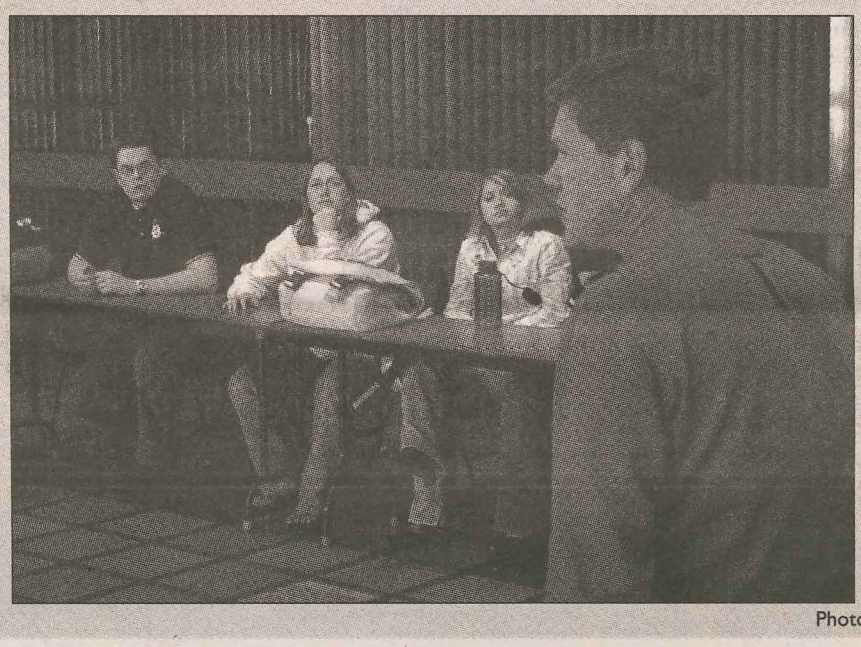
Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$3672.00
Wisconsin Full-Time Undergradguate	$3144.00
Non-Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$9153.00

Winona State University

Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$2308.00
Wisconsin Full-Time Undergradguate	$2038.00
Non-Resident Full-Time Undergradguate	$4281.00

Kind comes to UW-Stout

Congressman Ron Kind spoke to students on issues for the coming election



On Monday, Oct. 11, Congressman Ron Kind spoke to students in the Glass Room of the Merle Price Commons Building. He discussed issues facing college students today such as education and student loans.

Senator Russ Feingold will be on campus this Friday to discuss similiar issues.

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1		147 1/2 Main St. #5	$230	$230	n/a	n/a	Util inc/Bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		147 1/2 W. Main St. #6	$200	$200	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		147 1/2 Main St #7	$240	$240	n/a	n/a	Util inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		1471/2 Main St. #8	$160	$160	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		147 1/2 Main St. #9	$220	$220	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1	1	620 9th Ave	$230	$230	n/a	n/a	Efficiency Apt. all utilities included	3
1	1	802 6th Av #1	$230	$230	n/a	n/a	All Util included,except electric, (avail. Jan. 1)	6
1	1	802 6th Av #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	All Util included,great location	6
1	1	702 - 4th St.	$263	$263	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #1	$260	$260	n/a	n/a	WSG+HotWater Inc. Storage, location,n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #3	$330	$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #4	$340	$340	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #5	$335	$335	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	421 1/2 13th Ave W.	$315	$315	n/a	n/a	Super nice, great location	D
1	1	1221 7th St.	$390	$390	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water Excellent Location	4
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #1	$495	$495	n/a	n/a	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #2	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #3	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	803 Wilson Av #4	$335	$335	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities/Location	8
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1	1	1520 7th St.	$390	$390	n/a	n/a	Close to Campus, Parking/Washer&Dryer	D
1	1	1226 Knapp St	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	Downstairs of duplex/North Menomonie	D
1	1	421 Wilson Ave #3	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
1	1	421 Wilson Ave #4	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
1	1	119 W Main St. #1	$275	$275	$345	$345	Close To campus and downtown	3
1	1	333 _ Main St. #1	$375	$375	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Downtown Location	O
1	1	115 1/2 W. Main	$320	$320	$370	$370	Close to campus and downtown	O
2	1	113 W. Main	$350	$175	$420	$210	Close to campus and downtown	H
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave#2	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #5	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #6	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	1415 4th St. W	$410	$205	$500	$250	Gas Heat/ Garage	D
2	1	619 1/2 13th Ave	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG,HotWater, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1221 1/2 7th St.	$440	$220	n/a	n/a	includes heat, W/S/G, hot water, excellent loc.	D
2	1	113 _ Main St. #3	$470	$235	n/a	n/a	Inc WSG,Trash,n/p Downtown Location	9
2	1	113 _ Main St. #4	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc WSG,Trash,n/p Downtown location	9
2	1	619 13th Ave	$470	$235	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG, Hot Water, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1803 _ 7th St.	$450	$225	$510	$255	Remodeled, Large Apartment/Washer/Dryer	D
2	1	1506 6th St.	$420	$210	$500	$250	Huge Bedrooms, enclosed front porch,	D
2	1	1506 _ 6th St.	$330	$165	$400	$200	Enclosed Front Porch/Great Location	D
2	1	115 W Main St.	$400	$200	$485	$243	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	119 Main St. #2 W	$380	$190	$430	$215	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	915 _ Main St.	$380	$190	$455	$228	Nice Duplex with parking	D
2	1	921 Main St. #2	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	921 Main St. #4	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	1721 1/2 7th Street	$520	$260	n/a	n/a	Inc Utilities/good location/washer/dryer	D
2	1	620 1/2 9th Ave	$500	$250	$615	$308	Large upper apt close to campus	3
2	1	414 1/2 12th Ave	$430	$215	$510	$255	Upstairs apt xlose to campus	D
2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$650	$325	n/a	n/a	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. B	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. C	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
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2	1	1502 10th St.	$525	$263	$650	$325	House,Garage, Washer Dryer Hook ups	H
2	1	1721 7th Street	$600	$300	n/a	n/a	Inc utilities/good location/large apt	D
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$495	$165	$615	$205	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	1	119 W. Main #3	$525	$175	$625	$208	Close to campus and downtown	3
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$705	$235	Big Kitchen,Close to campus, laundry	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$615	$205	$715	$239	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	921 Main St. #3	$600	$200	$720	$240	Parking andconvenient location	4
3	1	1415 1/2 4th St.W	$600	$200	$720	$240	Gas heat/Garage modern	D
3	1	503 18th Ave.	$625	$209	n/a	n/a	Very nice, Close to campus	D
3	1	503 1/2 18th Ave.	$625	$209	n/a	n/a	Very nice, Close to campus	D
3	1	1310 Main St.	$600	$200	n/a	n/a	Large apartment, parking	D
3	1	1820 8th St.	$800	$267	$920	$307	Great House Available Aug 1, 2004	
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$960	$320	n/a	n/a	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1311 S. Broadway	$495	$165	$615	$205	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
4	1	1808 5th St.	$800	$200	n/a	n/a	Lg rooms, laundry, parking great loc.	H
4	1	1820 8th St. A	$900	$225	$1020	$255	Great Unit, Washer/Dryer, remodeled	H
4	1	1114 7th St.	$1140	$285	n/a	n/a	Great location	H
4	1	1606 10th St.	$580	$145	$760	$190	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1508 10th Street	$620	$155	$770	$193	Close to Lammers / Large Rooms	H
4	1	1809 - 6th St.	$620	$155	$780	$195	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Garage	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$700	$175	$820	$205	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	1	321 13th Ave. W.	$620	$155	$740	$185	Super Location WASHER/DRYER	H
4	1	1115 14th Ave.	$680	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat, garage, lg. Rooms, laundry.	H
4	1	1120 15th Ave.	$600	$150	$760	$190	Very LARGE bedrooms/WashDry hook-up	D
4	1	2235 So Broadway	$850	$213	$1050	$258	Super location/large house/parking, laundry	H
4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
4	1	1215 10th St.	$700	$175	$860	$215	WASHER/DRYER/Gas heat/Storage	H
4	1	921 Main St #1	$740	$185	$860	$215	parking and convenient location	4
4	1	121 12th Ave. W.	$900	$225	$1030	$258	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	1.5	121 1/2 12th Ave.W.	$900	$225	$1000	$250	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	2	1721 7th St.	$1120	$280	n/a	n/a	Includes Util. WASHER/DRYER, Parking	H
4	1	1216 6th St.	$800	$200	$970	$243	new siding across from campus, porch	H
4	2	1319 - 8th St.	$775	$194	$915	$244	Excellent location/parking/ lg. rooms	H
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #1	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
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4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #5	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
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4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #7	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$980	$245	$1130	$283	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1	915 Main St	$780	$195	$910	$228	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$980	$245	$1200	$300	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	2	602 12th Ave.	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, gas heat Wash/Dry	D
4	2	1301 9th Street	$1020	$255	$1200	$300	Beautiful house/garage/ WASH.DRY	D
4	2	1415 8th Street	$1000	$250	$1150	$288	Upgraded recently,great location,parking,W/D	D
4	2	332 1/2 Main St.	$1040	$260	$1170	$293	Huge, W/D, deck, the best 4 br dntwn/parking	H
4	2	1317 8th Street	$1040	$260	$1180	$295	Washer/Dryer, Deck, good location	H
4	2	1021 8th St	$1100	$275	$1275	$319	House with decks/close to campus/wash/dry	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1420	$355	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$1,110	$278	$1310	$328	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$700	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
4	2	1600 10th St.	$850	$213	$1025	$257	Great House, Washer/Dryer Hook-ups	4
2		205 17th Ave W A	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, close to campus	4
5	1	1121 - 6th Ave.	$600	$120	$750	$150	Storage/Gas heat/parking/avail. 7/30/05	H
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	2	203 13 th Ave. W.	$1140	$228	$1300	$260	Great Location, Wash/Dry	H
5	2	1115 17th Ave.	$750	$150	$960	$192	Very large rooms/WashDry hook-up	H
5	1	1320 6th St.	$820	$164	$995	$199	Great location, Wash/Dry	H
5	2.5	902 Main St.	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	Great Location, Large Rooms,Wash/Dry	H
5	2	1403 - 6th St.	$900	$180	$1100	$220	good location/ lots of parking, lg. rooms	H
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	good location, Wash/Dry	D
2		814 10th St	$925	$185	$1125	$225	Large, modern great floor plan, Wash/Dry	D
5	2	1107 2nd St. W.	$1000	$200	$1180	$236	Good Layout / close to campus/ Wash/Dry	H
5	1	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	$1150	$230	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$1000	$200	$1160	$232	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. C	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	1	914 6th Ave.	$1025	$205	n/a	n/a	great house, Parking	H
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #1	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #2	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$900	$180	$1110	$220	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1803 7th St	$1075	$215	$1275	$255	Washer/Dryer/parking/good location	D
5	2	2303 3rd St.	$1025	$205	$1225	$245	Washer-Dryer/ very nice inside/ large rooms	H
5	2	1521 8th St.	$1075	$215	$1250	$250	House / Large Rooms / good location	H
5	2	121 W 13th Ave.	$1175	$235	$1350	$270	Excellent location and condition, Washer/Dryer	D
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1150	$230	$1325	$265	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	1008 6th St.	$1275	$255	$1495	$299	Location/garage/Parking, Wash/Dry	H
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	1708 6th St A	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2	1708 6th St B	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2	321 14th Av W	$1250	$250	$1420	$284	Close to campus,wash/dry,great house	H
5	2.5	1502 - 7th St.	$1050	$175	$1260	$210	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/new siding	H
6	2	1402 - 8th St.	$600	$100	$690	$115	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/good layout	H
6	2	504 10th St.	$9600	$1600	$1160	$194	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/large rooms	H
6	1.5	221 4th St.	$800	$134	$1020	$170	North Campus, gas heat, Wash/dry	D
6	2+	115 _ 17TH Ave W	$1250	$209	$1450	$242	Newer unit, Great Loation, WASHER/DRYER	D
6	2	1714 8th St.	$1230	$205	$1420	$237	Very large, deck, private, high eff gas heat	H
6	2	1602 - 8th St.	$1230	$205	$1420	$237	WASHER/DRYER/Storage/Gas heat	H
6	2	513 9th Ave.	$1280	$214	$1480	$247	Across from HOME EC / LARGE, Wash/Dry	H
6	2	415 - 13th Ave.W.	$1050	$175	$1250	$209	Modern house/very large rooms/good location	H
6	2+	408 18th Ave W.	$1560	$260	$1730	$289	Wonderful,Wash/Dry,close to campus	H
6	2	921 8th St.	$1680	$280	$1880	$314	Beautiful house,Wash/Dry,close to campus	H
6	2+	1415 1/2 8th Street	$1560	$260	$1750	$292	Fabulous new construction, Wash/Dry	D
6	2	115 17th Av W	$1260	$210	$1430	$239	House,Location,wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave C	$1675	$280	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1620	$270	$1840	$307	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave A	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	221 4th St W	$800	$134	$980	$163	North end of campus,Wash/Dry	H
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1400	$200	$1625	$233	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	1321 2nd St. W.	$1575	$225	$1775	$254	Large / 2 living rooms / location	H
7	3	819 7th St.	$1610	$230	$1785	$255	Great location/parking, Wash/Dry	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1575	$225	$1800	$258	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
8	3	1421 S. Broadway	$1840	$230	$2050	$257	One of the best larger houses,Wash/Dry	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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4	2	1506 6th St.	$750	$188	$900	$225	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
6	2	503 18th Ave	$1250	$209	n/a	n/a	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
6	2	1311 S. Broadway	$990	$165	$1230	$265	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
7	3	1803 7th St.	$1515	$217	$1775	$254	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
8	2	1208 8th St.	$1400	$175	$1775	$205	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
8	2+	121 12th Ave W.	$1800	$225	$2020	$253	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
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Homecoming is fun for everyone

Staff Editorial
as written by Jay Fish

It's that time of year again. The weather is getting colder, the leaves are changing and Homecoming is upon us.

Our first thoughts of Homecoming are probably much the same as many of yours. Party. Party. Party. What other weekend of the year does this suitcase college leave its bags unpacked and gather for massive parties?

As we walk down the block we see hundreds of our peers enjoying themselves while overindulging in food and beer. Is that what Homecoming is really about? What is the true meaning of Homecoming?

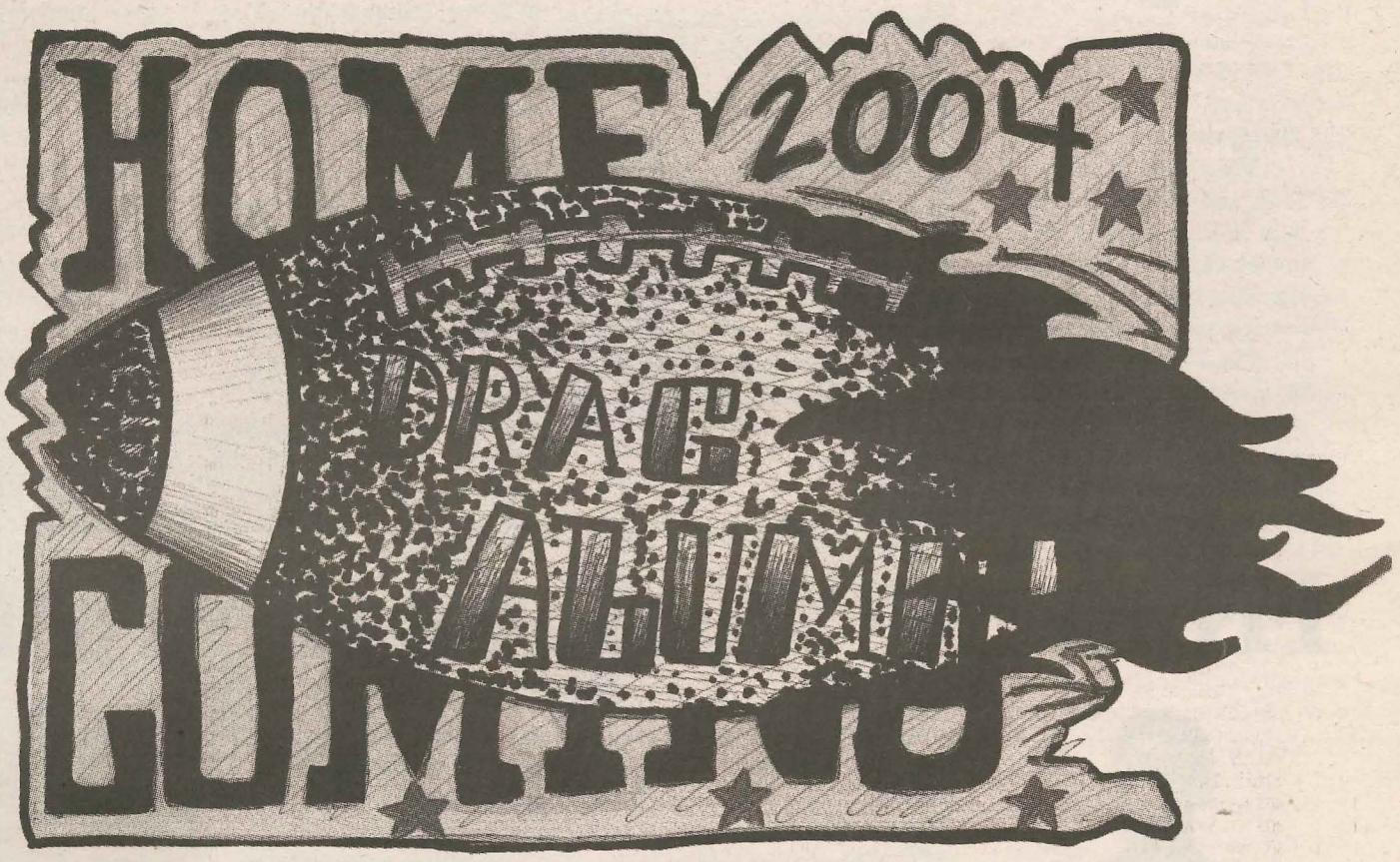
We often wonder what the Alumni think about returning to their Alma Mater during Homecoming weekend. Do they come back to meet up with old friends and reminisce about their time here at Stout? Possibly they want to see the changes the university has made since they graduated. Maybe it's to re-live college one more time while partying with today's generation of students. Or is it a little of both?

It wouldn't be Homecoming week without many activities for our organizations to participate in. Who wouldn't want to be launched down a hill in a primitive homemade cart in the soapbox derby?

Maybe you would prefer to dress up like the opposite sex and strut your stuff in the increasingly popular drag show. Of course there is always the parade in which many organizations compete to come up with the best - or should we say most outrageous - float.

No matter what kind of event catches your attention, there is something for everyone to participate in during this week-long celebration.

The crowning jewel of Homecoming week is the royal induction of the king and queen. Or is it? We challenge you to name last year's king and queen. Not many of our staff could do it; can you? The irony is that you can probably name the king and queen from your senior year of high school, but not from any of your years here.



What really makes Homecoming special is, of course the big game. Hundreds of UW-Stout students from past and present gather in one place to cheer our team towards victory. Nothing beats the feeling of spending a fall afternoon in the stadium for one of the biggest games of the year.

One thing that really takes away from the fun and festivities during the Homecoming week is the amount of vandalism that takes place.

Every year after Homecoming, the Police Beat is stuffed full of reports by fellow students of the destruction that our peers induced over the weekend. This is one thing that we can't understand. Why does our fun need to be destroyed with senseless acts of stupidity?

On the plus side, at least we can control ourselves enough to not break out into riots like many other colleges.

However you choose to spend your Homecoming weekend, all that matters is that you have fun. With so many activities going on it shouldn't be hard.

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When non-native animals and insects take over

Everything from Ferrell pigs to Halloween Lady Beetles are in here

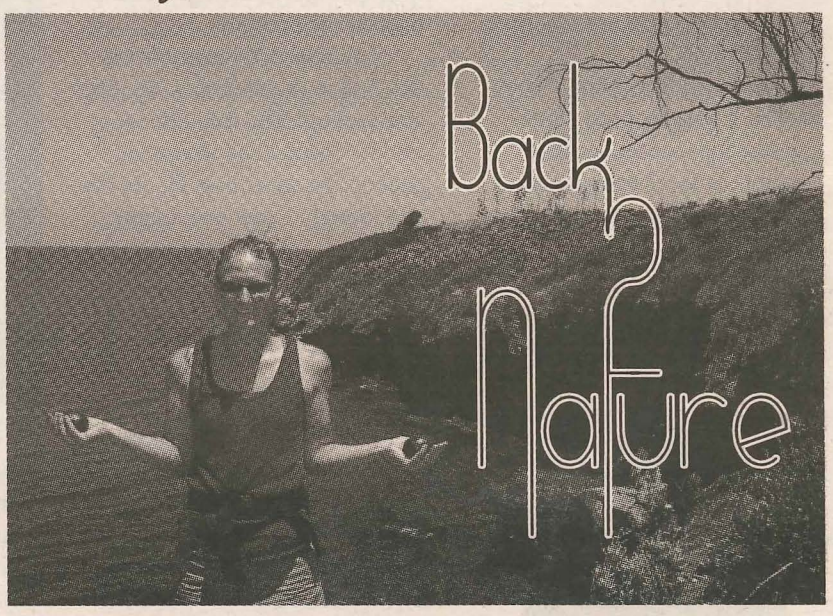
Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

I was first introduced to Ferrell pigs on Santa Cruz Island off the coast of California. When I first heard about them, I was literally picturing Hannibal boars that were enormous and would devour me. Realistic, I know.

At first I only heard them as they were ripping out the roots of plants around our tent at night. Then the next day I saw them while I was out on a hike. Though they had been described as cute little pigs on the park's signs, these were far from cute or little.

A better description would have been large wild boars! Black bears I had gotten used to, but now wild boars? What next? I soon learned that the island had just removed Ferrell sheep and cows as well!

Ferrell animals are basically domesticated animals abandoned to turn wild. "[Ferrell animals were] originally introduced by ranchers to make a living," stated the National Parks Service, but they are now loose, reeking havoc and destroying everything around them.



The natural habitat was suffering immensely and an effort to remove all Ferrell animals was placed in order to restore the land. There is a good reason for animals and insects to stay where they are intended to live. Introducing non-native species causes them to overpopulate and get out of control.

This reminded me of the current invasion we are all faced with on campus: The 'Halloween Lady Beetles,' referring to the Asian Lady Beetles and Japanese Lady Beetles.

According to the biological control department at Cornell University, the 'Halloween Lady Beetles" were first introduced to the United States in 1916 intended for the biological control of aphids. In their native countries they generally seek winter shelter along the cliffs.

Since we are lacking cliffs for them to hibernate in, they are now overtaking our homes and buildings on campus. Cute and innocent they may appear, but they have been known to bite and secrete a yellow fluid onto your skin, which is a defense mechanism triggered by being stressed out.

By introducing a non-native insect to America, we are now stuck with 'Halloween Lady Beetles' that have no population control and are a huge nuisance. Strange how something so small appears to be at the top of the food chain.

The impact of the 'Halloween Lady Beetle' was clearly not thought out because nobody determined what would naturally control this newly introduced insect. This makes you understand why they are so strict about introducing new plants into foreign places when you travel from country to country.

Unfortunately there isn't anything to prevent the 'Halloween Lady Beetle' from coming back; the only thing you can do is try to keep small entryways blocked to keep them out of your home.

Just goes to prove that human impact always ends up doing more damage than good in the end. Don't let one large impact ruin it for the rest of us.

Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Thank you

The classes of 1953, 1954, and 1955 celebrated their 50 years since graduation on October 7,8,9. Those attending were very impressed with the courtesy and friendliness of the students, the well kept campus and buildings.

A special thank you to Dr. Graber and the band (65 people) who came to the dedication of the "S" on the clock tower Saturday morning. The playing and singing of the Alma Mater brought tears to many eyes. Now all Stout students can sing "with tower high and brilliant "S" and know the meaning of it.

Having the SSA President at the breakfast dedication was special.

In appreciation,
Bob Spinti BS 1954, MS 1957
and Beverly Peterson Spinti
BS 1954, MS 1974

Republican jumping ship

I'm a veteran, a hunter, a retired college professor, and a grandparent and I have come to loathe George Bush and his agenda.

I've been watching politics rather closely for over forty years and in my opinion, there has never been a more dangerous administration than this one. For some time I foolishly believed that Bush was actuall a decent person who was being duped by his handlers but it is now clear to me that he is neither decent nor a dupe.

In fact, he is a shameless huckster who operates from the very core of the neo-conservative conspiracy that is promoting plutocracy at home and empire abroad. These greed based policies are undermining our democracy and poisoning our children's future.

To see how sinister this administration is just take a look at all of the insiders who have jumped ship and written books trying to warn us of the dangers: Paul O'Neill, Richard Clarke, Joseph Wilson, Kevin Phillips, John Dean, and David Brock. All of these authors worked for or supported Republican presidents in the past but are now speaking against this president.

Hopefully, enough moderate Republicans and Independents will hear the truth before the election.

John See, Ph.D.
Menomonie, Wis.

From the shadows they attack

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

As you all know this week is homecoming week. It's a time for many wonderful festivities and get-togethers, too numerous to mention. But what many people don't know is that there is something far more sinister lurking in the shadows of homecoming.

An invisible enemy is hiding within our midst, people, and we're through the looking glass. Still don't know what I'm talking about? Oh dear naïve reader let me please inform you of a most heinous problem plaguing our campus: robot attacks!

Yes, you heard me. Robot attacks. I hope nobody thinks I'm making this up because I'm not. In fact I have actual evidence of a robot attack from an eyewitness account of a real robot attack survivor. She asked not to be identified for fear of more robot assaults, so we'll call her TC.

TC had an encounter with a more primitive robot than you might expect. It wasn't one of those fancy mech-robot generals or anything. This was a mere foot soldier of the advancing robot army: The Automatic Door, or as he is known in the robot world, 100100101. That's how a soldier is identified in the robot army with machine code.

At any rate, TC was accosted when entering a building on the Univerisy of Wisconsin-Stout campus. She was not expecting a robot ambush, but then again who ever does, especially with the ability of automatic door robots to blend in so well with their surroundings? Needless to say, TC pushed the door open button to enter the building.

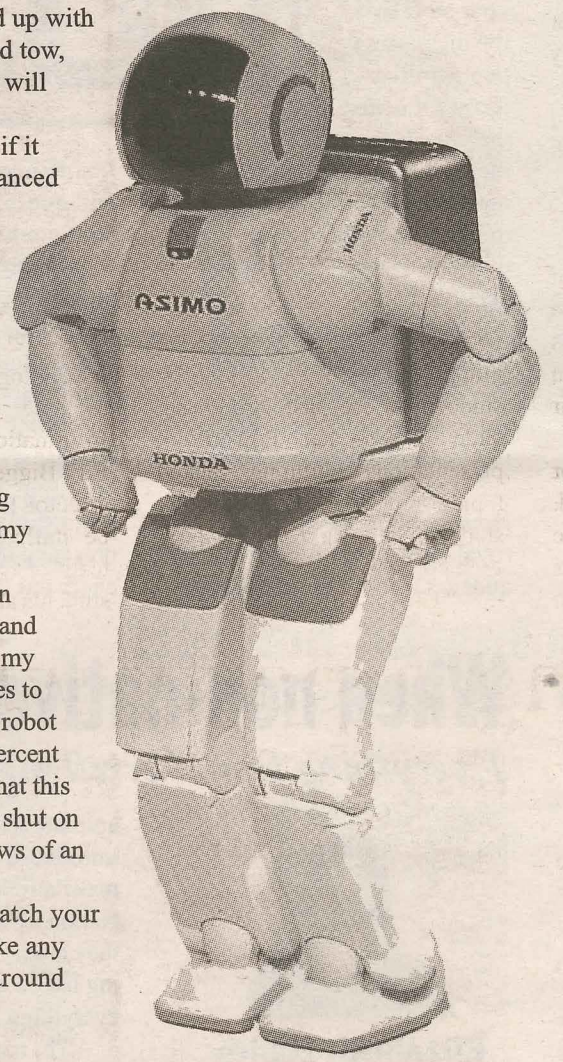
Immediately upon setting her foot in the doorway, the trap was sprung! The robot door saw its chance and slammed shut on the unwitting TC. In the end though it was just a door, and doors have a hard time killing people. TC ended up with a pretty badly stubbed tow, but who knows what will happen next?

Needless to say, if it had been a more advanced form of robot she could be dead.

I guess that what I'm trying to say is watch your back. Robots are literally everywhere, or at least simple machines that the more cunning robots use in their army are everywhere.

I'm typing this on my laptop right now, and while I'm pretty sure my PowerBook has no ties to the untold number of robot forces, I'm not 100 percent positive. I just hope that this bad boy doesn't snap shut on my fingers like the jaws of an alligator.

So be careful, watch your hands, and don't make any sudden movements around automatic doors.



Get out and vote for what you believe

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

In the spring of 2004 the budget of Selective Service was doubled. This is the first budget increase it has had since 1980.

The Bush administration has not confirmed that there will be a draft, but with our armed forces already stretched to their limits and no immediate end in sight with regards to Iraq, I believe that the draft is lying in the shadows, merely waiting for the proper conditions.

I would love to see John Kerry in office. I've made no secret of that. What I would love to see even more though is long voting lines out the door and around the block.

If George W. Bush were to win due to an insurmountable voter turnout, then I would hang up my six-shooters and go quietly into the night.

My point is that regardless of whom you support, support him. No vote is pointless, wasted or regrettable as long as it is cast for the person you believe is most qualified for the job.

I voted for Ralph Nader in the last election. My girlfriend at the time looked me square in the eye and told me that I wasted my vote. I didn't. I cast my ballot for the person whom I believed to be best for the job.

This year I will vote for Kerry. I believe that in times of war it is important to have leadership who has seen combat and who understands what our friends and family are going through.

Kerry also believes in a universal health care plan. A very good friend of mine, who happens to be very good at hurting himself (like running into parked cars), has a very difficult time going to the actual hospital because he cannot afford coverage. My own coverage will be over on April 19th.

However, if you have done your research and still support Bush, then vote for him. Let your voice be heard. If you genuinely believe that Bush has led this country in the correct direction and will continue to do so, then let him know.

That is the trick though, isn't it? You must do the research. A quick Google search will reveal a lot, as well as speaking to friends and family. Two organizations exist at UW-Stout that could help as well. Both the College Republicans and the College Democrats are here to inform students of the organizations' agendas.

My opening statement is just one of the many life-affecting issues that will be decided by the upcoming election. Some of the others include a woman's right to choose, college tuition and the treatment of our environment.

I will not tell you who to vote for; I cannot make that decision for you. Make a decision that is your own, not one that belongs to your friends, parents or the candidates. Make up your own mind.

Homecoming brings drinking

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

Get ready for the craziest weekend at the University of Wisconsin-Stout! You can't stop drinking until Sunday for fear of the worst hangover of your life, because the moment you stop after an early start, it will hit you.

Somehow a lot of people manage to drink Thursday night through Sunday morning nonstop with infrequent pass-out sessions to tide them over. I don't care how young you are if you attempt to binge drink for that long, it's going to catch up to you!

The happy buzz is the best way to go, nobody wants you puking all over them in the middle of the day. At least wait until it's dark out to begin spilling your drinks all over everybody.

Don't make the mistake that I have in the past of mixing too many different drinks as the day goes on. It's easy to throw in too many Jell-O shots with your Leinie's only to realize that coffee and Bailey's might not have been the best way to start the Homecoming festivities.

The parade starts at 11 a.m. and ends down by the Johnson Field House. I'm sure most of you will be up and drinking by then anyway, so wander on out to the curb to support your student body and their wacky floats.

Be sure to pace yourself, because you don't want to pass out at noon and miss the opening kick-off! Just so you are forewarned you can't bring alcoholic beverages into the stadium no matter how old you are.

The football game is one of the biggest Homecoming events. Even if you don't enjoy football, you'll be sure to be entertained by all of the students that started drinking before most of us would normally get up on a Saturday.

Besides, this is your chance to be the rudest most obnoxious person that you can be, and no one will care, because they're doing the same thing! Watch out for those extra friendly people you come across. You know who I'm talking about, the people that get enough alcohol in them and turn into superman/woman, God/dess of love.

Don't drink yourself past the point of common sense. Make sure you're wandering around aimlessly, under the influence, with a group of people.

As for the bars, they pack them as full as humanly possible so if you make it this far, get your elbows ready. Before you pass yourself out on the floor at the end of the night, be sure to re-hydrate yourself. A liter or two of water will do you wonders after an entire day of drinking.

Though you may believe that you are drinking your meals for the day, eating solid food will actually help reduce the painful hangover in the end.

Helping students choose a major

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

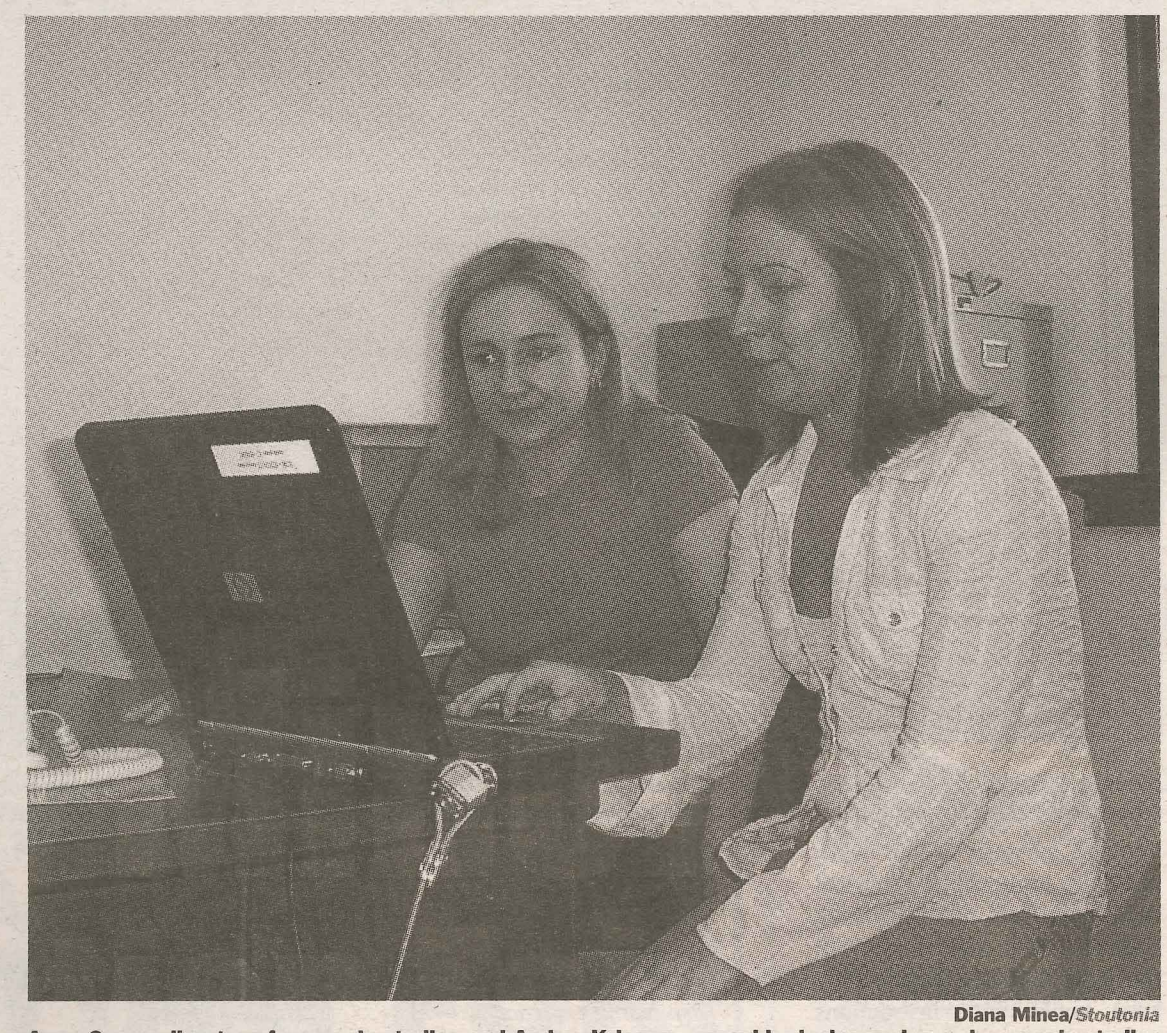
According to the University of Wisconsin-Stout, it is estimated that around 375 students are currently undecided about their major and an average of 650 students per year change their major.

The UW-Stout Advisement Center is sponsoring a Major/Minor Information Fair on Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2004 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the Crystal Ballrooms at the Memorial Student Center.

The Major/Minor Information Fair will provide an opportunity for all undecided and new students to explore the majors and minors offered by the university. Students established in their major are also welcome to attend for information about minors, study abroad opportunities, co-ops and internships and professional organizations that coincide with their chosen field of study.

"We did this a number of years ago," said Debra Mosey of the UW-Stout Advisement Center and advisor of undecided freshman. "We're hoping this will be successful and we can continue to sponsor this fair annually from now on."

All major and minor programs will be represented. Some faculty are trying to be more interactive with students through this fair by bringing along samples of work done by students in the past, presenting slide shows and PowerPoint presentations outlining related topics, subjects and careers to give students an idea of everything each program has to offer.



Diana Minea/*Stoutonia*

Anne Cross, director of women's studies and Amber Krieger, a graphic design major and women's studies minor, work on the informational pamphlet for the minor to give out at the Major/Minor Information Fair.

"The Bachelor in Psychology program will have a table at the Major/Minor Information Conference," said Ed Biggerstaff, the program director for Psychology. "It will be staffed from 10-2 by me, a team of upper level psychology students and Dr. Mitch Sherman, who coordinates the human resource management minor.

For interested students, information about the psychology minor, the human resource management minor, the psychology major, Psi Chi National Honor Society for psychology and the psychology club will be available."

Other representatives will be presenting information on the Advisement Center, focusing on the career exploration services.

Career Services will discuss internships and co-ops.

International Studies is planning to present study abroad opportunities and which programs are best for each major.

"This is an excellent opportunity for students to talk with faculty and student representatives in a comfortable and fun atmosphere while learning more about our UW-Stout programs," said Mosey.

Although the fair is primarily for undecided students, students who are thinking about changing their major or students who would like to look into minors are also welcome.

"For the conference, I will be putting together an exciting, new brochure for the women's studies minor," said Anne Cross, the new director of women's studies. "The major conference is a very big deal for us because the program is recently under new direction by me, and we also have a brand new women's studies center located in 418E Harvey Hall.

"We really want to focus on freshmen, since many people on campus don't know about the women's studies minor and we hope to change that."

Throwing a party without paying the price

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

As Homecoming at the University of Wisconsin-Stout is drawing near, some students are wondering how they can host a party and not get into trouble. Contrary to some belief, it is not illegal to host a party at your place of residence, however, there are specific guidelines that need to be followed.

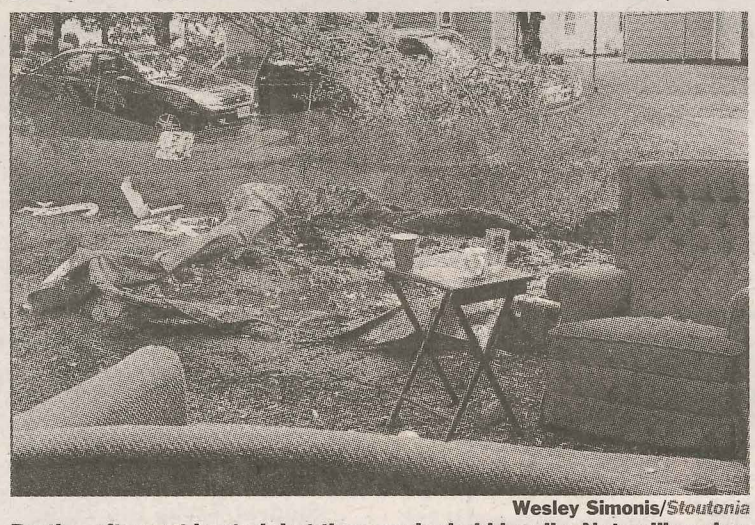
"The Menomonie Police Department will be actively seeking and enforcing alcohol laws," stated O fficer Aaron Bergh of the Menomonie Police Department. "The department is moving toward a practice of citing all underage persons at a party who have been drinking alcohol and holding all tenants who host a party at their residence responsible."

In past years, only one host of a party has been cited, however, this year citations will be issued to all tenants.

What are the rules to hosting a legal party for Homecoming?

Alcohol can never be sold.

"Selling alcohol without a license is a violation of the law," said Bergh. "In the past, people have tried to conceal sales by selling tickets or tokens beforehand or by taking donations for the band or DJ. However, these are all considered a sale of alcohol. For a first offense, an offender will be fined $739.00."



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Parties often get busted, but they can be held legally. Not selling alcohol, checking IDs and staying indoors are ways to keep a party legal.

The second rule for throwing a legal party is that hosts cannot provide alcohol to people under the age of 21. First offenders will be fined $429.00 for violation of this law.

The Menomonie Police Department suggests that you have a responsible, sober person in charge of your party.

"This person can check IDs to ensure the people receiving alcohol are 21 or older and can cut off people who have had too much to drink," said Bergh.

Other rules and laws include limiting the size of your party and keeping it indoors. This will aid in limiting the noise coming from the party.

"If the party has a DJ or band, consider applying for a noise amplification permit from City Hall," said Bergh.

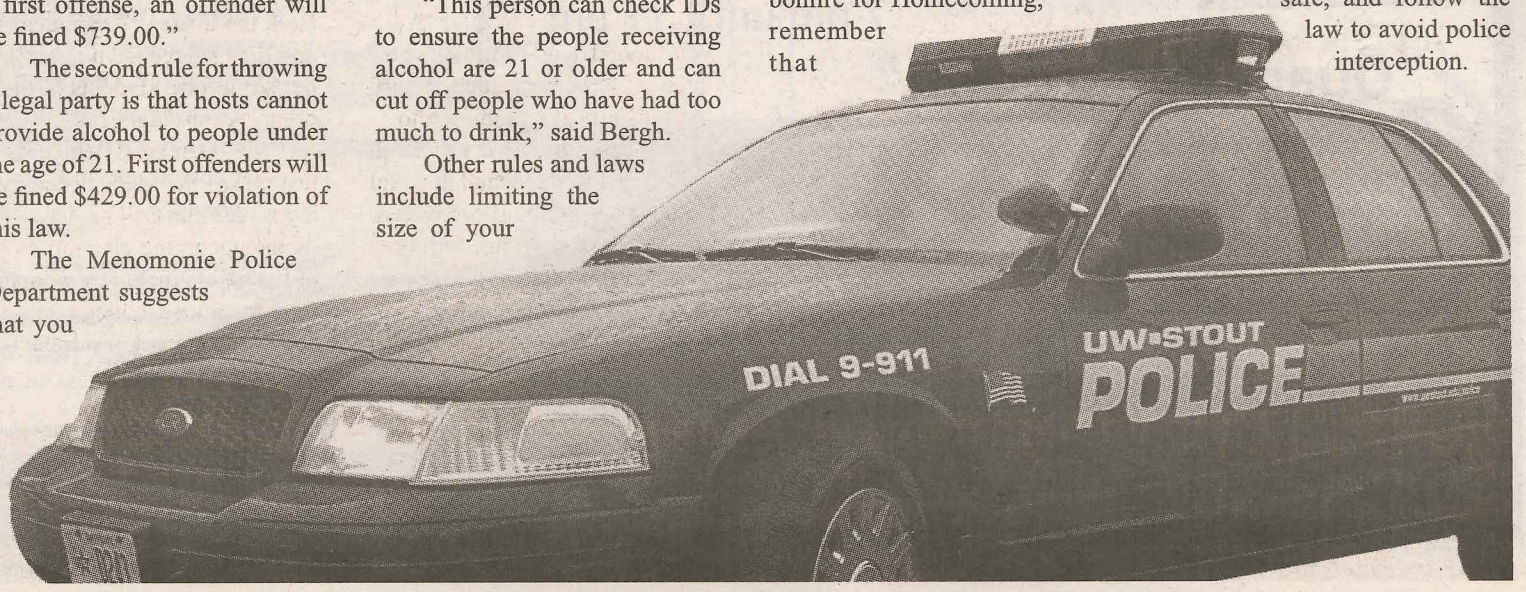
For the good of the community, the environment and yourself, control and limit the amount of cups and trash coming from the party. A good way to do this is to have a person at the doors monitoring what people are carrying as they leave the party.

The Menomonie Police Department does not suggest mixing alcohol and bonfires, but if you do decide to have a bonfire for Homecoming, remember that bonfires must be at least 25 feet from any structure, be no greater then three feet wide by three feet tall and be contained in a fire pit. Also, the wood being burned must be dry and untreated.

Remember that Menomonie requires all furniture to either be inside or under a covered porch. It is illegal to put furniture out onto the lawn or into the street.

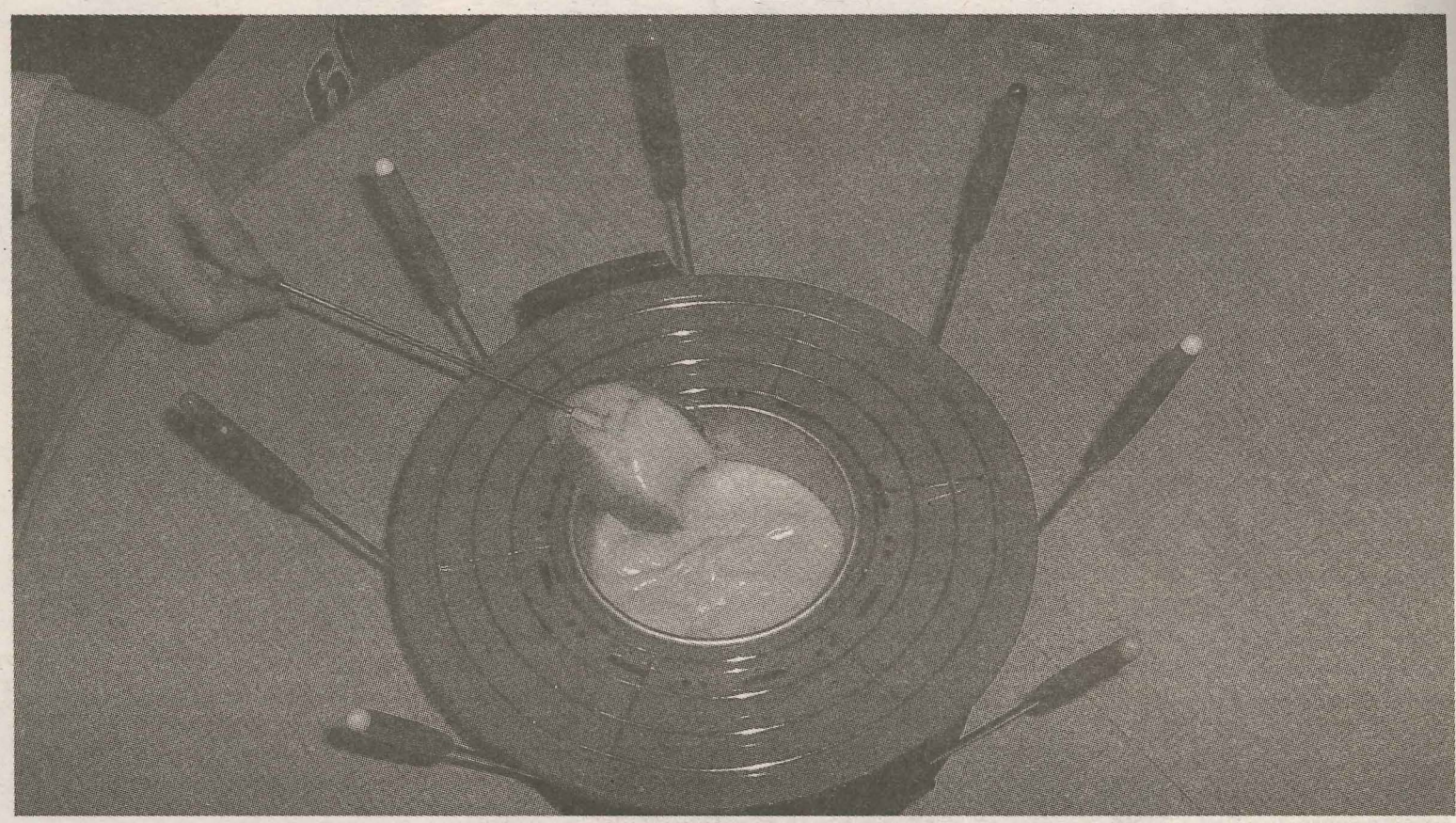
"We also suggest that you have a sober contact person that can act as a liaison should the police need to be called," said Bergh.

Homecoming at UW-Stout can be one of the most fun weekends in the academic school year, however, make sure it is safe, and follow the law to avoid police interception.



Devour delicious dipping dishes

Katie Bader
Student Life Writer



Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia

A snack that is good for serving at group gatherings is fondue. There are many types of fondue, varying from chocolate to cheese. One of the entertaining aspects of the snack is that when someone drops their piece of food into the pot, they need to kiss another person in the room.

Once a very popular dish in the 1960s and 70s, fondue needs to make a comeback. Fondue is warm, gooey, cheesy or sweet. Most fondue recipes are fast and easy to make.

Fondue is unique; to fondue, you stab a dip-in such as fruit or bread with a fondue fork. You then dip this into the sauce, twirl it around a little bit and enjoy. When you're sick of the same old bland foods, try fondue to add a little pizzazz to your diets.

As one of the most entertaining snacks, fondue is the only food that has actually has a kissing rule attached to it. As the rule goes, if the bread or fruit slips out of your fingers or slides off of your fork and fall the pot, you must kiss someone in the room.

There are all different types and variations of fondue. Most are so good it is difficult to find a favorite. Although cheese is the most traditional way to fondue, chocolate has become a very popular choice.

"Chocolate, and then dipping in fruits," is Angie Strohbusch's, a junior in human development and family studies, favorite way to have fondue.

There is also meat fondue, where you spear a piece of shrimp or cubed meat and plunge it into hot oil. Allow the meat to sit until it is fully cooked, take the meat out of the oil and dip into a sauce. The meat that can be used includes: pre-cooked sausages, cubed chicken breasts, beef cubes, ham squares or breaded fresh or frozen seafood. Be creative.

A fondue pot is best, but a pot and stovetop would work just fine. Fortunately, electrical fondue pots are allowed in the residence halls and usually sell for about $30. The pots usually have books with instructions and recipes, so you can try something new and specific for your fondue pot.

When using a fondue pot, add water to the base of the pot and keep adding water every 15 to 20 minutes. The recipes below can all be made right in the fondue pot, the stove and kept warm in the fondue pot or be made on the stove and kept warm on the stove. Be sure the sauce is constantly heated, because this is one of the main principles behind fondue.

"Chocolate!" Katie Thiel, a sophomore in technical communications, replied when asked what her favorite fondue is. Here is an easy chocolate fondue recipe taken from allrecipes.com.

Chocolate Fondue

½ cup melted butter
½ cup cocoa powder
¾ cup white sugar
½ cup evaporated milk
1 tsp. vanilla extract

1. Place melted butter and cocoa in small saucepan or fondue pot over low heat. Add sugar and evaporated milk.

2. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until sugar is dissolved and mixture is smooth. Remove from heat, stir in vanilla. Serve warm or in fondue pot.

Dip-ins: Cake pieces, cookies, marshmallows, cherries, grapes, mandarin orange segments, pineapple chunks, strawberries, fresh fruit slices or popcorn.

"Cheese," said John Maresh, a senior in technical education, when asked what type of fondue he liked. Taken from *The Starving Student's Cookbook,* here is a five minute cheese fondue recipe.

Cheese Fondue

2 Tbsp. margarine
2 Tbsp. flour
1 cup milk
2 handfuls shredded cheddar cheese
French bread, cut into bite-size chunks

1. In saucepan or fondue pot over medium low heat, melt margarine and stir in flour until well mixed and smooth.

2. Slowly add milk, stir and heat till thick. Add mustard and cheese, stirring until melted

3. Dip the chunks French bread into the warm cheese sauce using forks or chopsticks.

Dip-ins: Shrimp, cucumbers, hard rolls, celery, king crab, cherry tomatoes, English muffins, green peppers, buttered toast, tomato wedges or mushrooms.

Traditionally, wine or beer is used to make fondue. If you feel like adding a little extra flavor to your fondue, here is another cheese recipe.

Wine and Cheese Fondue

½ cup shredded cheddar cheese
½ cup shredded Swiss cheese
1 Tbsp. cup flour
½ cup dry white wine or beer

1. Combine cheddar and Swiss cheeses in a bowl. Sprinkle with flour and mix until cheese is coated.

2. Heat wine or beer in a medium saucepan or fondue pot on medium high until simmering, be sure not to boil, and reduce heat to medium low to maintain temperature.

3. Gradually add cheese mixture, by small handfuls, stirring constantly after each addition until cheese melts.

4. Dip the chunks of French bread or other dip-ins into the warm sauce.

Get out your sauce pans or invest in a fondue pot and let the dipping begin!

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Student Group Discussion – e-Scholar Program and Student Learning
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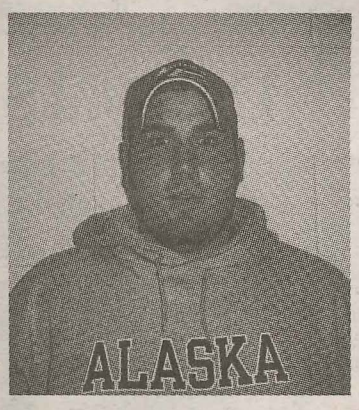
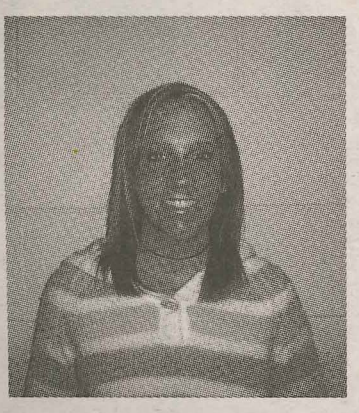
- **Wednesday, October 27, 6:00-7:30pm** in the residence halls. *Drawing for free memory sticks*
- **Thursday, October 28, 6:15-7:45pm** in the Cedar/Maplewood Rooms of the Student Center. *Free food provided*

Please choose **one** of the above dates and RSVP to Meridith Wentz (wentzm@uwstout.edu or 232-5312) by October 19.
Your feedback will be used to make improvements to the e-Scholar program, as well as to provide future programming for UW-Stout instructors through the Teaching and Learning Center.

Consent information:
Participation in this focus group is voluntary. Information that is collected during the focus group will be sought in a specific manner so that confidentiality is guaranteed. Results will be reported only as aggregate data, so as not to identify individuals.
Questions or concerns about the research study should be addressed to Jane Henderson (x5005), or Meridith Wentz (x5312). Questions about the rights of human subjects can be addressed to Sue Foxwell (x2477)





Slant

If you could create your own float for the Homecoming parade, what would it be?

"One big jelly donut."
Aaron Williams
sophomore
technology education

"A giant bottle of vodka with a funnel coming out of it."
Kaitlin Schuldt
sophomore
early childhood education

"A devil torching the other team's mascot."
Emily Koga
freshman
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"A big turtle because how many turtle floats do you see? You don't see many."
Bryan Hoffman
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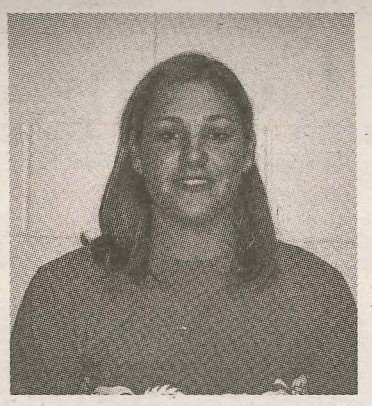

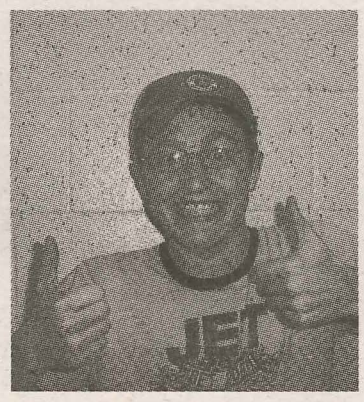

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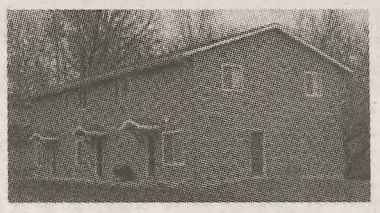

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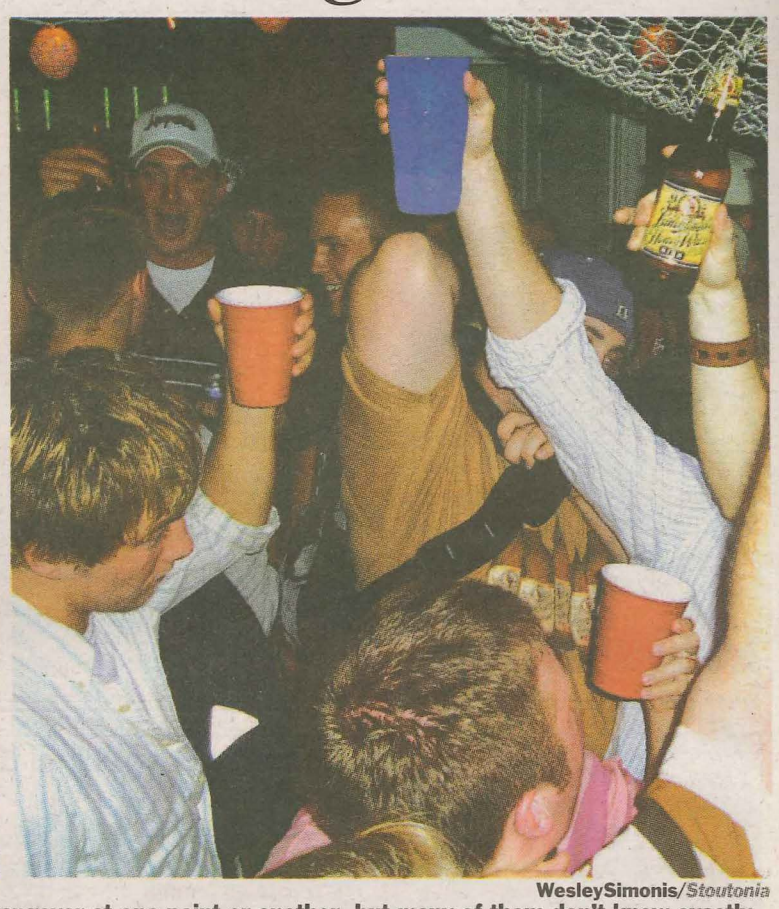
Coping with hangovers by knowing the facts

By Tracy Campbell
Student Life Writer

Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia



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Most people who have drank alcoholic beverages have experienced a hangover at one point or another, but many of them don't know exactly what is happening in their body during their morning-after misery. Drinking water between beverages is one way to prevent hangovers.

Hang·o·ver (plural hang·o·vers) noun

1. illness after drinking: the symptoms of headache, nausea, thirst and sickness that result from drinking too much alcohol

2. feeling: many University of Wisconsin-Stout students will have after homecoming

"Katie" is at a party. She takes her first drink. As the beer passes through her lips, the alcohol is already beginning to absorb through the blood vessels in the lining of her mouth. While this contributes very little to her overall intoxication, it does explain the initial numbness she feels in her mouth.

When the alcohol finally reaches her stomach, it is absorbed through the stomach lining into her bloodstream. Once in the bloodstream it heads toward the liver where it is broken down by alcohol dehydrogenase into acetaldehyde, a toxin.

Acetyaldehyde is further broken down by the acetaldehyde dehydrogenase in the liver, creating acetic acid. The acetic acid accumulates in the blood (termed blood acidosis) which leads to nausea and sweating.

The alcohol in "Katie's" bloodstream also causes a lower concentration of anti-diuretic hormone (ADH). ADH is the hormone that tells her body to (or not to) urinate. This is thought to occur because the hypothalamus (the part of the brain that controls ADH levels) is depressed and less ADH is produced. Because of the lack of the hormone in the body, excessive urination occurs and causes dehydration.

As alcohol levels begin to approach zero, once again (usually the next morning), her body begins to replenish the ADH in the bloodstream. Her kidneys start retaining water, and minor swelling occurs throughout the body, including the brain, giving her a headache.

"Katie" also experiences hypoglycemia because ethanol blocks the release of insulin, causing blood glucose levels to remain low which in turn causes her to experience headaches, shaking and nausea.

The symptoms "Katie" is feeling after her night of heavy drinking are those most commonly associated with a hangover.

"A hangover feels like you constantly want to sleep and you wake up and say 'I'm never drinking again,'" said Courtney Zuber, a junior in psychology.

Many sources such as http://ask.yahoo.com/ask/20020805.html and www.doublechaser.com claim that toxins in alcoholic beverages are what are responsible for hangovers.

The popular hangover drug Chaser contains activated charcoal, a substance used by hospitals to help absorb poisons after they are ingested. Chaser asserts that the activated charcoal absorbs the toxins that cause hangovers, but according to http://madsci.wustl.edu, research shows that pure alcohol can cause hangover symptoms thus negating the 'toxin' hypothesis.

Hangovers can't be cured, but they can be treated simply by hydrating the body and taking anti-inflammatory medications. The blood sugar levels and electrolytes can be restored to normal with fruit juice and good old fashioned Ramen.

Nevertheless, the best treatment is prevention. Experts profess that a person should drink water between each alchoholic beverage to slow the assimilation of alcohol into the bloodstream and maintain hydration. Eating foods before drinking alcohol can also help. Carbonated beverages should be avoided because gas increases the absorption by the body.

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Saturday, Oct. 16
>**Homecoming Parade,** starts at Dunn Co. Rec Park, ends at Johnson Field House, 11 a.m.
>**Football** vs. Stevens Point Johnson Field, 1 p.m.
>**Karen Savoca & Pete Heitzman,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $12 students.
>**STC Homecoming Cookout,** Johnson Fieldhouse parking lot, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 17
>**"Phantom of the Opera,"** Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $12.

Monday, Oct. 18
No events scheduled.

Tuesday, Oct. 19
>**Jim Gerholdt's Remarkable Reptiles,** Menomonie Public Library, 6:30 p.m.
>**Film, Unprecidented: Election of 2000,** AA 210, 7 p.m.
>**Soccer** vs. UW-River Falls, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 20
>**Volleyball** vs. UW-Superior, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 21
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
> **Soccer** vs. St. Thomas, 7 p.m.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar? Send suggestions to

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Amateur drag: men in tights

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

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Judges from the drag show also gave tantalizing performances on stage. Pictured above are three of the judges, (left to right) Elphaba, Samantha Stone and Miss Wolfs Den.

I've never wanted so badly to have a male's body and moves until I saw the participants and judges of the University of Wisconsin-Stout's amateur drag show strut across the stage to music of their choosing.

Entitled, "Kansas," the Ten Percent Society along with Blue Devil Productions sponsored this amazing event on Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 7:00 p.m. in correspondence with Homecoming.

All of the participants involved in the drag show, minus the judges that performed, were from different organizations working towards winning either the Homecoming royalty or spirit awards. The harder they worked it on stage, the better the judges scored them and the closer they become to winning an award.

Never having been to a drag show before, I was completely unprepared for what would ensue in the two hours that occurred after I sat down in my seat.

"I'm most excited about seeing half-naked boys," said Elphaba, a judge for the competition and a drag queen in real life.

All of the judges were official drag queens. When they performed between the students acts, they were able to give the crowd a view of how real drag queens walk and perform on the runway. It was quite entertaining.

"This is my first year judging," said Miss Wolfs Den. "I'm looking for different types of performances; I want to be entertained. I'm looking for those who can put on the best show and especially originality."

The drag show exceeded all expectations right from the start when Misty, a loud, beautiful and extremely entertaining judge strutted across the stage to give the first performance.

"Stout rocks," Misty said. "We love this place so much."

Some of the exceptional acts included American Marketing Association's Barbie and Ken and also Tuan Nguyen's Christina Aguilera impression.

"It's scary to get up there at first," said Justin Modeen, a junior majoring in marketing education (Barbie). "But once the crowd started getting into it, you just want to give them more."

Modeen and his partner in crime, Jill Benner (Ken), started off the act by allowing Modeen to strut down the stage with his voluptuous chest bouncing every which way, while Benner walked up slowly behind him, thrusting her pelvis with the music. It was extremely hilarious and entertaining.

"You just get this rush," said Benner, a junior majoring in business. "I'd go back up in a second."

Meanwhile, when Nguyen's act began, he came on stage with a sign that said, 'Car Wash,' and Aguilera's song came on. Nguyen threw the sign and began dancing with the stairs leading up to the stage.

Just to give you an idea of what he was wearing, he had on a school-girl-type outfit, with two or three inch heels. This guy danced better than

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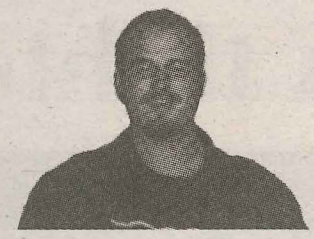

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This is one of Runions main works of arts at the Acoustic. It captures both the caricatures and open spaces of his art.

I really hate this work but can't bring myself to rip it apart.

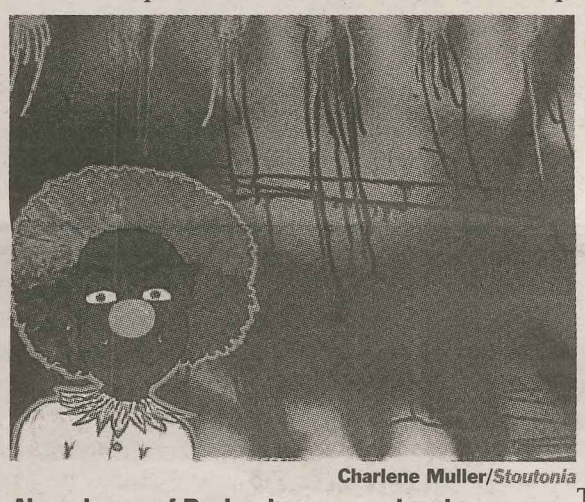
Jeredt Runions' art work is currently at the Acoustic Café in Menomonie. It is entitled: Life? It's Like That. For this I give him a massive amount of credit. At 19, he has decided to open up his work to public scrutiny at an establishment frequented by many art students in a college town with a robust art department. This, my friends, takes great fortitude.

Runions currently resides in Superior, Wis. In addition to having a population just under 30,000, many railways converge in Superior.

This fact is important when viewing Runion's work. Two major themes creep across his canvasses; that of urban graffiti and that of open area.

The idea of graffiti is expressed through the caricatures the artist employs in the paintings. If you have ever seen the quarter-machine "homies," then you will know the figures have large eyes, uniformly baggy clothing and odd hairstyles, yet each could be the sibling of almost any of the others.

These stereotypes permeate the body of work and are often counter productive. Figures are often staring out, engaging the viewer's full attention and hindering further inspection of the rest of the painting.



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Above is one of Runions' more popular pieces.

The second theme found within Runion's work is large, open spaces. Nearly every piece illustrates this idea of the expanse. The majority of these seem to be drawn from the rural landscapes. These provide a point-counterpoint visual to the very urban characters.

I view these paintings as being transitional in nature. The work is at an in-between stage in the artist's development. Only a handful of the paintings reflect this, but a transitory presence is felt none the less.

One work in particular exemplifies this. I could not get close enough to record the title but the painting is easily described. The scene is yet another of the rural settings that are prevalent in Runion's work but on opposite sides of the painting are two portrait-view faces staring at each other. Unlike all other figures in his paintings, these faces seem emotional as opposed to representational. They do not draw attention to themselves nearly as much as the other figures.

While this does show that he is moving forward, showing these works together creates conflict within the exposition. Viewing these works together makes me want to see where Runions is going with his painting, more than where he is currently.

Drag / *talent captivates*

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most women I know, and he didn't stumble once. It was absolutely amazing.

"I learned how to walk on the heels by wearing them for several days before the competition," said Nguyen, a senior majoring in apparel design. "But dancing in them straight for three minutes, it hurt like hell."

Then, of course, there was a cowboy that repeatedly walked up to the stage to tip those who had country music playing. In typical cowboy fashion, he was wearing a tight, white shirt, fitted jeans and the black hat to boot.

"What is your name?" Misty asked into the crowd after her first sighting of him coming to the stage. After the crowd yelled out "Kyle," she responded, "I want to be Mrs. Kyle."

The shy cowboy gave her a small hug later on, but still wasn't sure what made him attractive to the drag queens.

"It might be the hat," said Kyle Moa, a sophomore dietetics major, "but it's probably because I'm a Gamma Sig."

Girls and guys alike put a lot of time into their looks and acts, and it made for an absolutely fabulous night.

"I feel damn sexy and liberated," said Mark Mersenski, a freshman majoring in engineering technology.

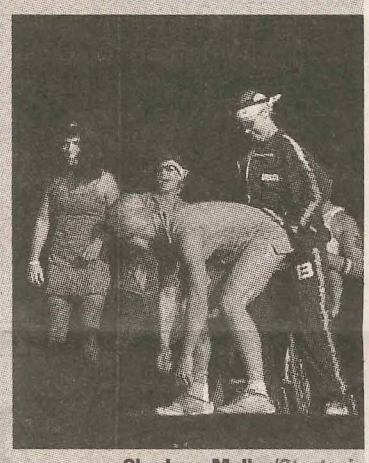
He was only one of the many men to feel this way.

"It's like I have built in air conditioning," said Jamie Friederich, a senior majoring in general business.

Girls on the other hand, were a little more restricted in their apparel.

"I can't breathe because I'm so pinned down," said Andrea Sattler, a senior majoring in business. "I keep saying if any of us pass out on stage, all they'll need to do is run up with a scissors and cut the duct tape, and we'll be fine."

Whether you liked the boys with big chests or the girls with gyrating pelvis', this event will be hard to top at UW-Stout. The real drag queens will be entertaining guests with their own show at Scooters, in Eau Claire, on Halloween night. Their show starts at 10:30 p.m. and would be a great opportunity for those interested in seeing a real drag show performance.



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(above top) Judge Misty seduces the crowd with her drag performance. (above) Participants keep the crowd bent over with laughter by their over-the-top performances and moves.

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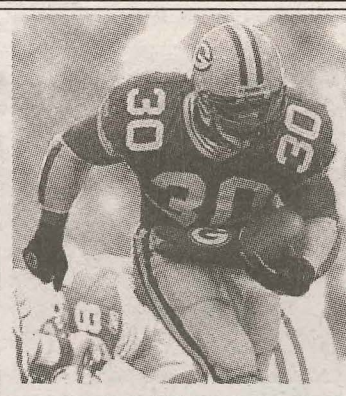

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Local bar creates a buzz with its live jazz music

Rachel Wick
Entertainment Writer

Anyone who thinks that jazz clubs are solely for bigger cities like Minneapolis or Chicago is mistaken.

The Eau Claire bar, The Stones Throw, transforms into a jazz club every Monday night with the music of The Jason Craft Q-tet and the intimate ambience of the building adorned with stain glass windows.

"It's the best live music on a regular basis in Eau Claire," said Cliff Montzak, a frequenter of Jazz Night.

The Q-tet consists of Jason Craft on piano, Graydon Peterson on bass, Dave Whitman on drums and Tom Krochock on the trumpet.

"I think that the simple fact that a town like Eau Claire has something like Monday night jazz is really representative of a very healthy music scene. Towns this size don't always have something as beautiful as Monday night jazz," said Whitman.

Music enthusiasts may choose to kick back with a few martinis and take in the music or at times will take it to the dance floor and sway for a song or two.

"I'd like to think that jazz at the Stones Throw is the kind of place where a person, who has never listened to jazz before in his life, can come down and be absolutely amazed at what he's hearing onstage and not even realize that it's jazz," said Whitman.

Craft has a music degree from UW-Eau Claire and currently does freelance piano work in Minneapolis, Minn.

Peterson also has a music degree from UW-Eau Claire and is a freelance bass player in Minneapolis in his spair time.

"To be able to play with musicians like Jason, Graydon and Tom is actually really inspiring in and of itself," said Whitman.

Whitman currently takes lessons in New York with a drummer named Joe Morello of the Dave Brubeck Quartet.

He also studied two and one half years with David King of the groups The Bad Plus and Happy Apple.

Krochock is also attending UW-Eau Claire working his way towards a music degree.

Members of the group have also played with the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra and musical theater in the Twin Cities.

"Individually or as a group we have played with some of the best jazz musicians in the world.

"Often times this is the most fun gig that we have because it's a place where we can get together and really play the kind of jazz that we want to play.

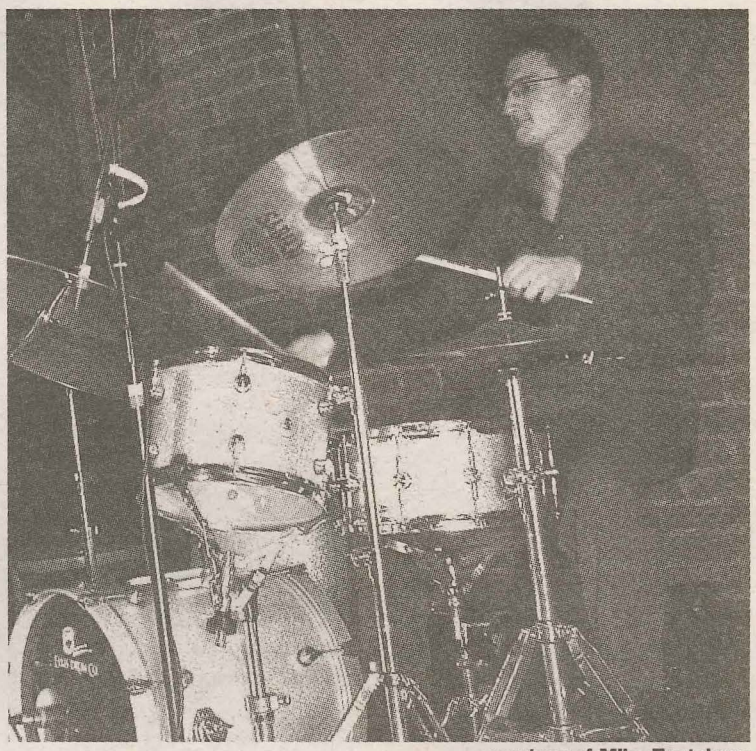
"It's funny every time I play on a Monday night I leave more excited to play than when I got down here. I have such a good time onstage," said Whitman.

The group started around four years ago as the Andrew Neesley Quartet with Peterson and Craft as part of the group since it's beginnings, while Whitman has been a part of the group for almost three years.

Guests such as singer Jamie Howard and Neesley will sometimes pop in and play a few sets with the band. Area saxophone player John Timmers has also frequently played with the group.

"I think jazz is enjoyable to play because it's easier to make a connection with the audience," Whitman said. It's feeding off of the people in the audience who provide us with our direct inspiration when we're onstage, which gives a chance to express ourselves more fully than any other type of music can."

The Q-tet makes a point of not playing the same songs every week and enjoys mixing up arrangements of songs to produce a more unique sound.



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Dave Whitman will be playing with his group, the Dave Whitman trio, at the Mabel Tainter Theatre on Jan. 8.

"We have our own arrangement of "God Bless the Child" (a Billie Holliday song) that we like to do, we have our own arrangement of Miles Davis' "Footprints," but we really don't have a favorite song and we really don't have anything that we play too often," Whitman said. "Half the time we don't know what we're going to play until we play it, and then when we do play it, it just comes out amazing. We surprise ourselves really every time that we come down.

"There is something to be said for The Stones Throw, this building and this bar. Especially at night when the light comes through the windows, it makes you feel like you are in a big city, a truly cosmopolitan, urban area," said Whitman and Montzak agrees.

The Dave Whitman trio, will be performing next in Menomonie at the Mabel Tainter Theater on Sat., Jan. 8.

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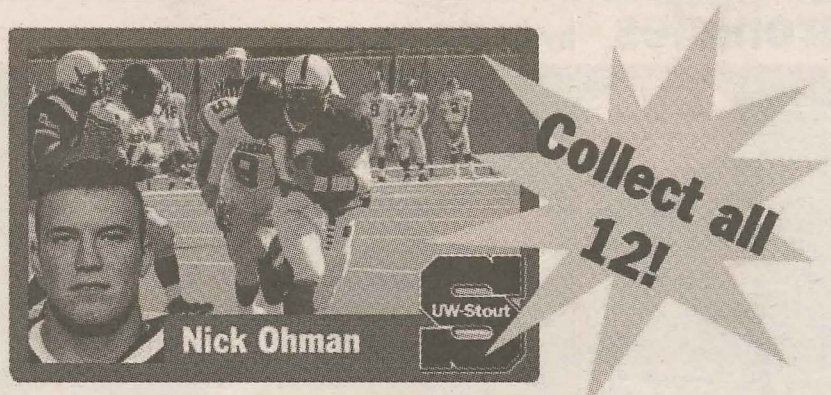

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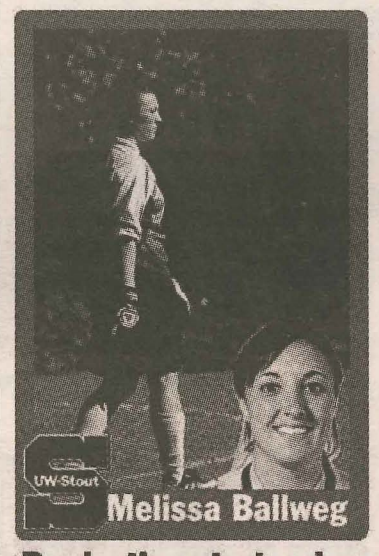

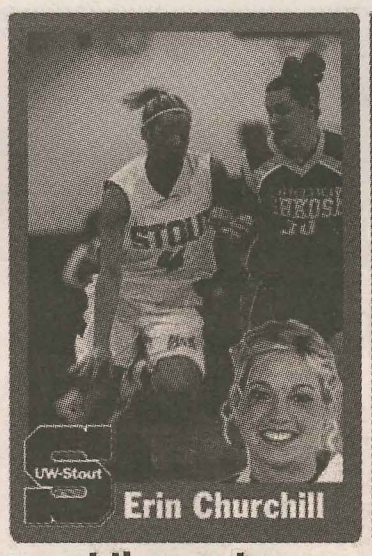

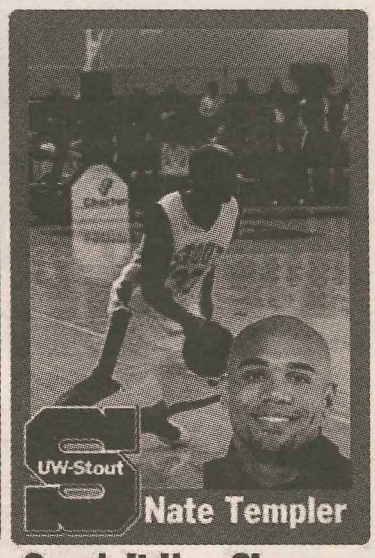

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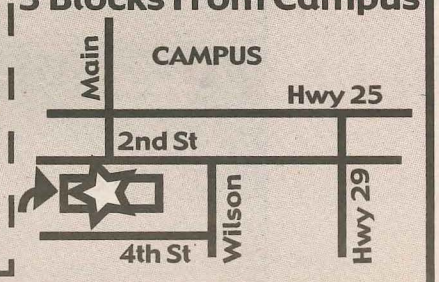

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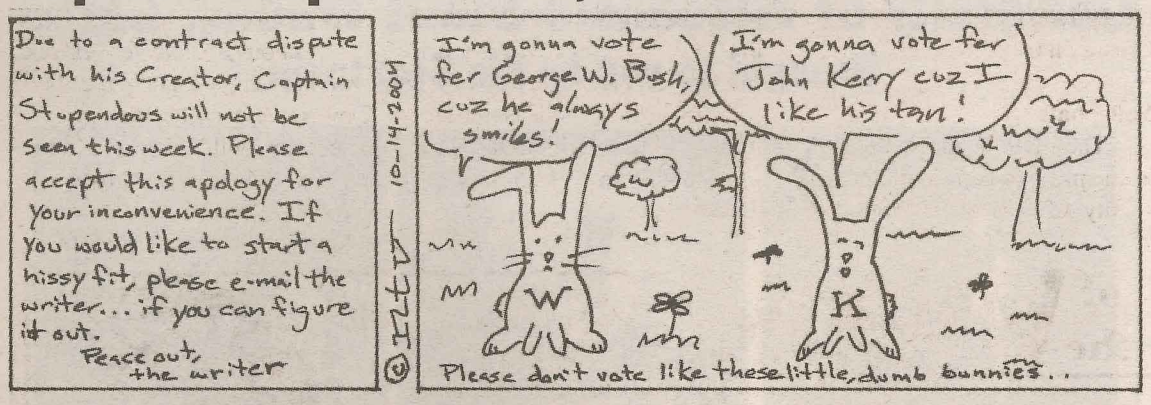

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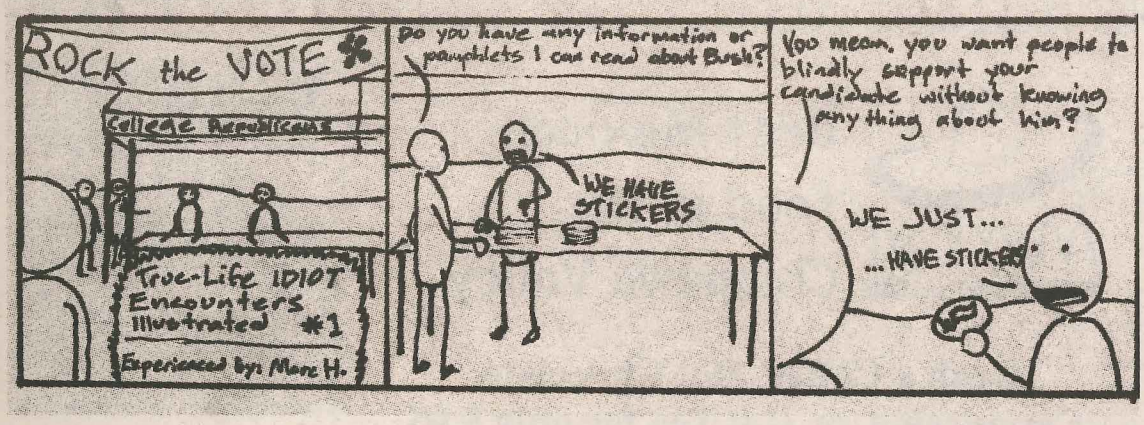

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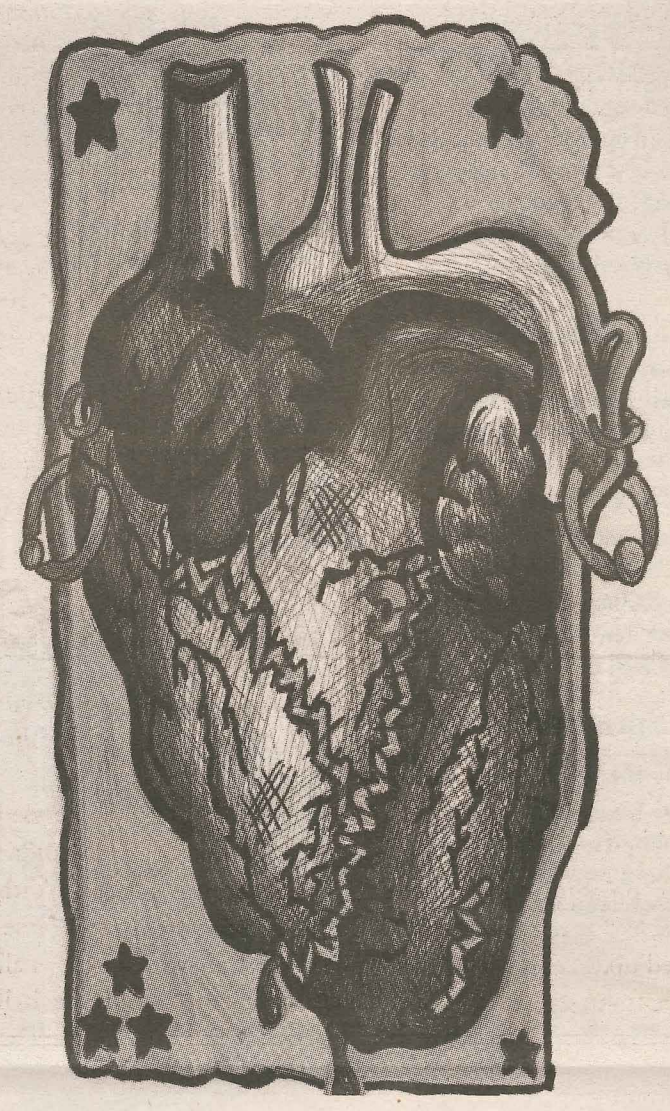

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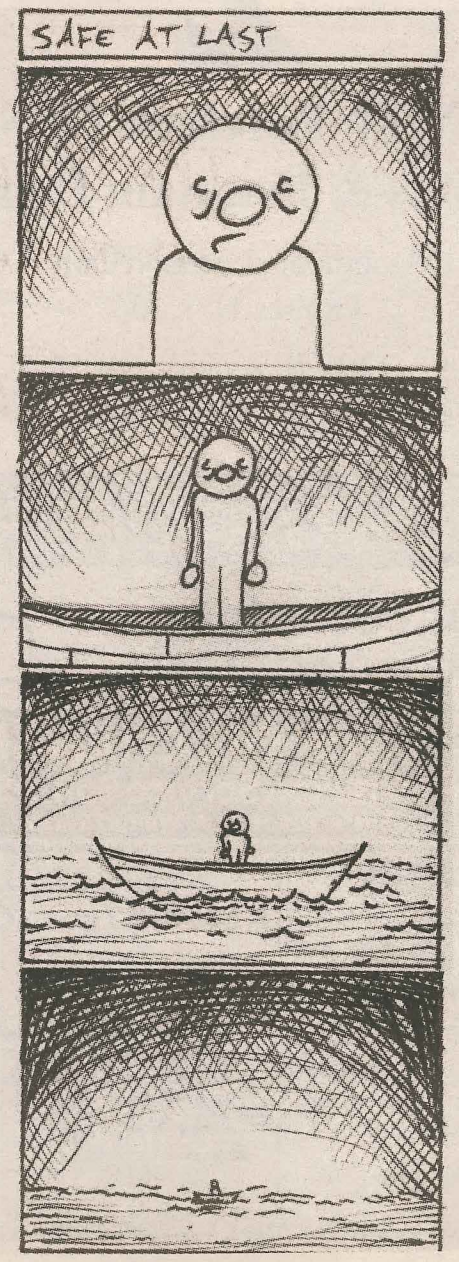

This week in Blue Devil athletics

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Football

Head Coach Tom Strop and the Blue Devils were handed their first loss of the season last Saturday when the Blue Devils made the road trip to face the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. The Warhawks defeated the Blue Devils 46-17.

The Blue Devils scored a field goal on their opening drive, but the lead would not hold for long, as the Warhawks scored three unanswered touchdowns to pull away.

With under 10 minutes to play in the first half, quarterback Nick Ohman connected with tight end Ross Jones for a touchdown to put the Blue Devils within nine.

It would be as close as UW-Stout would get to Warhawks.

The Blue Devils managed to gain 359 total yards, but struggled to move the ball on the ground. Ryan Englebert had 13 carries but only gained 10 yards.

The Warhawks finished with 432 total yards, 302 of which were created by a powerful running game by UW-Whitewater.

The Blue Devils host the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point on Oct. 16 for the annual Homecoming game.

Soccer

The Blue Devil soccer team continued their undefeated run by pulling out two more wins against tough competition.

UW-Stout posted its eighth shutout of the season when the team defeated Beloit College 4-0 on Oct. 8.

Freshman Michelle Lizotte scored two goals and led the Blue Devils to the win.

Next the team found themselves in a tight match on Oct. 12 with the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

With the game tied at one with less than 25 minutes left to play, Shannon Hermes got a bobbled ball from the Blugold goal keeper and pounded it in for a Blue Devil score.

UW-Stout held on to the 2-1 lead and posted their 11th win of the season.

The Blue Devils will host the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse on Oct. 15.

Volleyball

The UW-Stout volleyball team split two games at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Invitational Oct. 8-9.

In the first game, the Blue Devils faced the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. The Falcons defeated the Blue Devils 3-1, just weeks after being swept by the Blue Devils.

UW-Stout rebounded quickly, scoring a 3-0 victory over Coe College. Brooke Viegut scored 10 kills and Lindsay Mensink recorded nine.

The Blue Devils will be at UW-Stevens Point on Oct. 15.

Cross Country

Both the men's and women's cross country teams took second place at the Beloit Old English Invitational on Oct. 9.

On the men's side Nate Haeny led the team with a 9th place finish and a time of 26 minutes, 48 seconds.

Ryan Chernik was another top finisher for the Blue Devils, placing 18th with a time of 27 minutes, 37 seconds.

Top finishers for the women were Kersten Wilson and Abbey Ring. Wilson finished 9th with a time of 20 minutes, 17 seconds, while Ring placed 11th and finished seven seconds behind.

Both teams will participate in the Lake Wissota Invitational on Oct. 22.

Tennis

The tennis team closed its home season against the University of Chicago.

Although Nicole Hayek won her singles match, the Blue Devils were still defeated 7-2. The team will finish its season on Oct. 15 at UW-La Crosse.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

The UW-Stout soccer team has not been in many tight situations over the course of the season, so when UW-Eau Claire put on the pressure on Tuesday, one player for the Blue Devils stepped up.

Shannon Hermes scored a goal for the Blue Devils only minutes after the Blugolds took a 1-0 lead.

The game remained tied and the Blue Devils didnt have their usual lead. With 25 minutes left in the game, Hermes answered the call again scoring when the ball deflected off the UW-Eau Claire goalkeeper.

The two goals that Hermes scored against the Blugolds brings her tally for the season to 10. She has also posted 15 assists this season.

The Facts:
Sophomore
Prior Lake, Minn.
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Scored both goals in a 2-1 victory over UW-Eau Claire.

Shannon Hermes
Soccer

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Football / *preparing for homecoming*

things to go their way.

Although this was the first loss of the season for the Blue Devils, it is time to put the game in the past and concentrate on the Homecoming game this Saturday.

The Blue Devils host the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. The Pointers will be looking for revenge since the Blue Devils defeated UW-Stevens Point last season on the Pointers' Homecoming.

"Stevens Point is a really good team. They have players on the team that seem to know what they are doing," said Strop.

Not only is the game hyped by Homecoming and a game for revenge, but it is another WIAC game and both teams are due for a win.

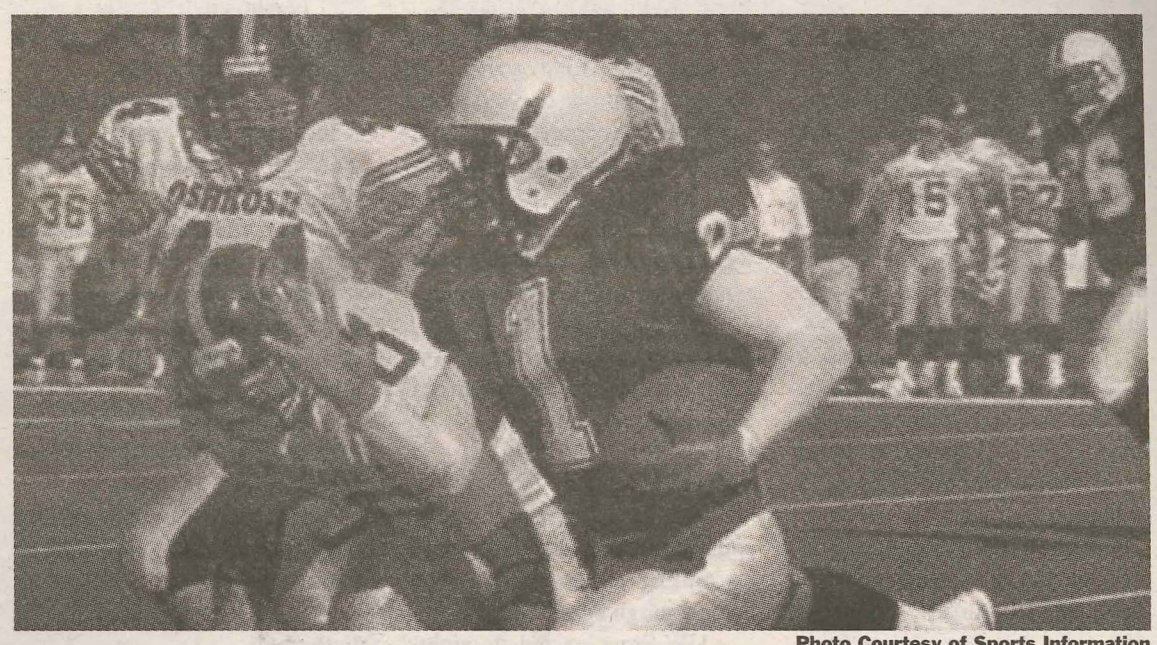
UW-Stevens Point is 3-2 overall and are 0-2 in the WIAC.

The Pointers are hungry for a win and the teams' record in the WIAC puts them in a crucial win situation.

Blue Devil players to look out for this upcoming game start with quarterback Nick Ohman, wide receiver Matt Sprester and running back Ryan Englebert.

For the Pointers', quarterback Brett Borchardt, running back Cory Childs and wide receiver Kurt Kielblock should be key.

The game will be held at Williams Stadium at 1 p.m.



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John Freeman picks up yardage during the most recent Blue Devils home game against Oshkosh.

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Cha-Oak theory haunts Minnesota

Curt Trnka
Columnist

When discussing why it hurts to be a fan of any sports team from Minnesota one must consider the NITL theory.

Since I just made up that theory, I should probably explain it. The NITL or Not In This Lifetime theory applies to all Minnesota fans that don't remember the Twins winning the World Series in 1991 and heavily reduces the enjoyment of sports for all fans that remember both World Series championship years.

This theory is simply a way of keeping the hopes and dreams of Minnesotan fans down so that they don't have so far to fall when a Minnesota sports team fails to reach its desired goal, such as a championship.

Let's breakdown just how NITL works.

When a fan is rooting for a Minnesota team, said fan can safely assume that at least half of the said team's regular season games will be wins, and the team will be in the running for a playoff spot. If said team reaches the playoffs, the fan can then safely assume that the Minnesota team will face an overly-hyped media giant, give fans a glimmer of hope, then proceed to painfully exit the playoffs. Examples would be the Lakers and Yankees.

If an overly hyped opponent does not stand in the way of the Minnesota team, then something called the Cha-Oak Principle is entered into the equation.

In a Cha-Oak type situation the Minnesota team would have to clearly be the favorite to win, but by dumb luck or more often, dumb coaching, the Minnesota team creates a way to lose. The best example of this principle would be the 1998 Vikings.

This past weekend, Minnesota fans witnessed the NITL theory in full force. Having won Game 1 against the Yankees, and sending Game 2 into extra innings, the Twins found a way to lose three games in a row, which, of course, is a shining example. Also this weekend, the Gophers had a chance to beat Michigan and get one step closer to winning the Big Ten for the first time since a guy named Noah went boating. But leading in the fourth quarter, the Gophers, lead by coach Glen Mason implemented the Cha-Oak Principle and gave Michigan its second fourth quarter come from behind victory in as many years.

Yes, being a Minnesota sports fan is very hard, but somebody's gotta do it.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(3-1)
The football team lost 46-17 against Whitewater on Oct. 9

Next Game:
Oct. 16 hosting Stevens Point
Homecoming

Cross Country
Beloit Old English Classic:
Men: 2nd Women: 2nd
Next Meet:
Oct. 22 at the Lake Wissota Invitational

Tennis
(4-7)
The tennis team lost to the University of Chicago 7-2

Next Match:
Oct. 15 at LaCrosse

Soccer
(11-0-1)
The soccer team won 2-1 over Eau Claire

Next Match:
Oct. 15 at Stevens Point

Volleyball
(15-4)
The volleyball team lost to River Falls 3-0 then defeated Coe College 3-0 at the Platteville Invitational

Next Game:
Oct. 15 at Stevens Point

Rugby tradition continues

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Over the past few years, the University of Wisconsin-Stout rugby team has carved a niche for itself as one of the top rugby teams in the Midwest.

The team has competed at levels higher than our school's Division III standing. They are able to compete at this level because of success at state and in the regional playoffs. Rugby has been established on campus for 26 years.

The team started out this year with a new power running and precise passing attack.

The system was used in victories over the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

On Sept. 18, the team had its first hard battle against the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and came out with the 16-12 win.

They then went on to dominate the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse 31-7 on Sept. 25.

The team faced its first loss of the season on Oct. 2 against the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

The next weekend, the team had to pull it back together, in order to take on the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis in a pivotal game that could secure the team a spot at the nationals.

The UW-Stout Rugby team started out strong against Minnesota and had a 21-17 lead in the second half. The score remained close throughout the game, but Minnesota scored a try in the last five minutes, and UW-Stout was unable to answer, losing a definite place at national competition this year.

"We dominated in every aspect of the game but lost with a few key mental errors," said Max Zukowski, the team president.

The rugby team will wrap up the season with a home game against the University of Wisconsin-Madison on Oct. 16 at 4:30 p.m.

The team is hoping to rebound with a win in its final Wisconsin Rugby Conference game of the season.

A win would secure a sixth year of competing at State and would seed the team as number one in the Midwest Division II playoffs.

The team credits much of its success to a rise in the interest of rugby and the experience levels of the incoming freshmen.

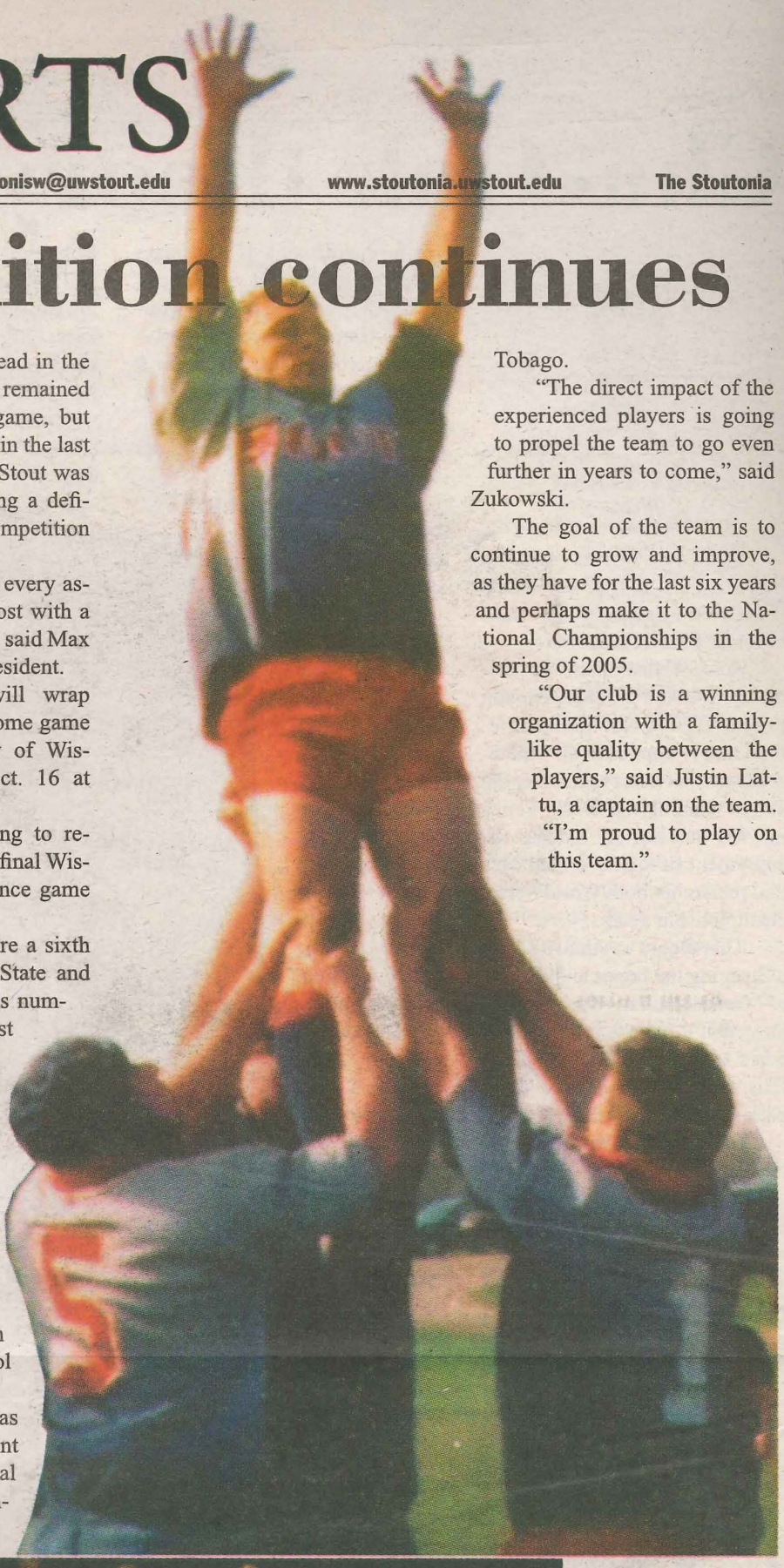
The team now boasts over 50 members, with many of them coming in with four years of high school rugby experience.

One member was also selected to represent the USA U-19 National Team over the summer in Trinidad and Tobago.

"The direct impact of the experienced players is going to propel the team to go even further in years to come," said Zukowski.

The goal of the team is to continue to grow and improve, as they have for the last six years and perhaps make it to the National Championships in the spring of 2005.

"Our club is a winning organization with a family-like quality between the players," said Justin Lattu, a captain on the team. "I'm proud to play on this team."



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(Above): Teamates perform a lift to get a player into position. UW-Stout will face UW-Madison on Oct. 16.

(Bottom):The UW-Stout rugby team gets into a scrum during competition. The team has been competing at levels higher than division III. The team played in the division I nationals last season and is looking to participate in division II playoffs.

Football team upended by Warhawks

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

A key game was played last Saturday for the University of Wisconsin-Stout football team.

The Blue Devils played a Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference game against the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

Unfortunately the Blue Devils lost the game 46-17 to the Warhawks at Perkins Stadium.

UW-Stout was first to put points on the board with a forty-yard field goal by junior, Evan Larsen.

The score didn't hold for long, due to four interceptions and three fumbles created by the Warhawk defense.

The Warhawks had a total of 432 total yards during the game. Of those, 302 yards were on the ground.

On the plus side, the Blue Devils gained a total of 359 yards, with 251 yards on the ground. Quarterback Nick Ohman was held to completing 18 passes out of 36.

"Everyone panicked, and we had too many players worried about scoring 21 points in one run," said Coach Todd Strop.

The Blue Devils will need to be more efficient with the ball in the upcoming game in order for

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Senator Edwards rallies in Eau Claire

By Rachel Wick
News Writer

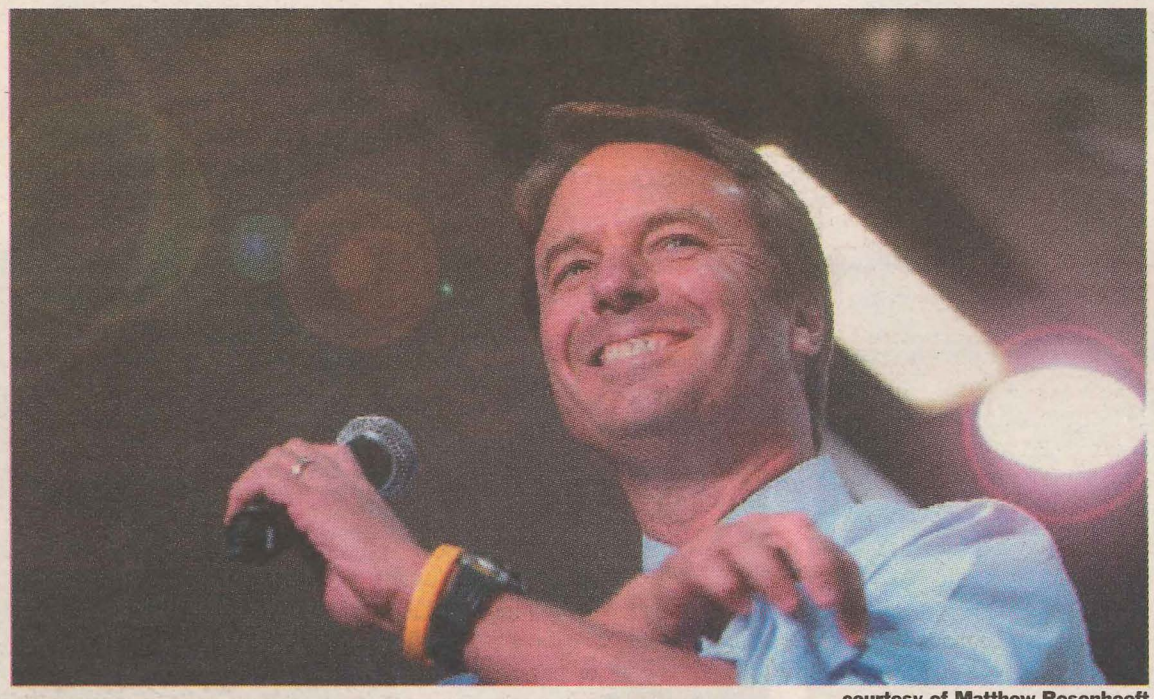
Incompetent is defined by Webster's Dictionary as "lacking the qualities needed for effective action and unsuitable for a particular purpose."

This term was used consistently throughout John Edward's speech in reference to President George Bush when Edwards stopped at the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire's McPhee Physical Education Center to address a crowd of approximately 4,000 spectators.

The North Carolina senator was introduced to the packed gymnasium by Democratic Senator Herb Kohl while U2's song "It's a Beautiful Day" blasted from the speakers.

"Let me assure you when it comes to the security of our country and the problems that we have overseas and with other nations around the world who have lost confidence in us, John Kerry and John Edwards, I assure you will do a better job than the administration in dealing with these problems," said Kohl.

The deafening cheers and clapping of a crowd was speckled with attendees of all ages.



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John Edwards gives a rally at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire on Tuesday. Many students from Stout made the trip to attend the rally and hear what the vice president hopeful had to say.

Some members of the crowd waved signs stating "A Fresh Start For America" or "Kerry/Edwards-A Stronger America" to accompany Edwards' arrival.

Stephanie Lundberg, spokeswoman for the Eau Claire County Democratic headquarters said of the rally, "There was a hotbed of support at the rally and the presence of an amazing energy that I have not seen in this area in a long time."

Edwards' main focus was the war in Iraq, the possible threats posed by Iran and North Korea and how they may be moving ahead in the development of nuclear weapons.

"Look at what he's done in Iraq. [Edwards said of Bush] The truth is, our men and woman in uniform have been heroic and we are proud of their service," Edwards said, which brought loud cheering from the crowd.

"But Iraq is a mess and Iraq is a mess because of two people: George Bush and Dick Cheney," said Edwards.

During his 30-minute speech, Edwards discussed several other topics that have been fiercely debated throughout the election. Such as the rising costs of gasoline, the loss of health care, increases in college tuition and stem cell research.

Edwards blasted Bush in reference to the flu vaccine.

"This president couldn't even deal with the flu vaccine crisis that we knew this was coming a year ago," Edwards said. "We need a president who actually has vision about where America needs to go and will prepare for crises before they occur."

"We have about a 50 cent a gallon gas tax that has been essentially imposed by this administration," said Edwards concerning the increase in gas.

According to Edwards, Bush has been incompetent in correcting problems on United States soil, as well as abroad.

"The problems don't stop with the War on Terror and what's happening on the ground in Iraq. Look at what's happening right here at home, starting with the struggles that most middle class families are facing every single day," Edwards said.

"Edwards added, "The cost of college tuition is skyrocket

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Feingold at Stout

By Jesse Young
News Writer

On a cold and miserably rainy day, Democratic supporters of all ages came to admire one of Wisconsin's senators, Russ Feingold.

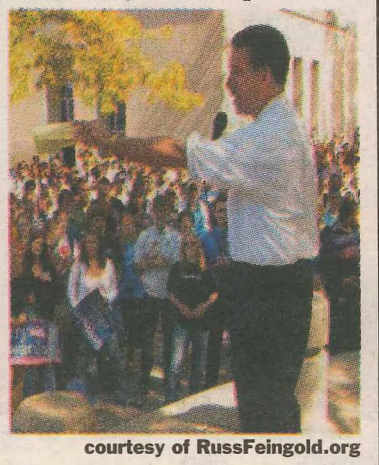
Feingold came to University of Wisconsin-Stout last Friday to gain support and to speak to students on campus. He had made previous visits to University of Wisconsin-River Falls, and Universtiy of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

The rally started out with Gary Bakke, candidate for the state senate, who thanked the crowd for coming out to support Feingold.

Following Bakke's remarks, Joe Plouff, former state representative for Wisconsin, spoke to the crowd about Feingold's past and his accomplishments.

"It's an honor for us to have a senator that stands up for us, who is always working and does what is right for Wisconsin," stated Plouff.

Then with a great cheer from the crowd, Senator Feingold walked into the room and began to thank the crowd for coming. He began by saying that he was very proud to be here, and commended the students for coming. He then spoke on how John Kerry had swept the last



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three presidential debates and how Kerry is going to be a fresh new start for America. He also stated that in order to have a working government, we need a democratic majority in our Congressional Senate.

Feingold spoke on how

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Andre Heinz talks to Stout

By Jesse Young
News Writer

On Thursday, Sept. 30, Andre Heinz came to the Acoustic Café to address the community regarding his step-father's presidential motives.

He was met with about 200 people, ranging in age 10 to 65. The community, and students from the University of Wisconsin-Stout, all cheered and gave support.

Andre Heinz is the step son of Sen. John Kerry, the democratic candidate for the presidency.

Heinz has been traveling the country for three months and has been spreading the word about his step-father's goals. On Sept. 30, he also traveled to University of Wisconsin- River Falls and the University Of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

According to Grist Magazine, Andre Heinz graduated from the Yale School of Forestry with a master's degree in Environmental studies in 1992. He's become a student of the "industrial ecology" movement, which aims to shift global industry and economics toward sustainable strategies.

For the past six years, Heinz has worked in Europe for The Natural Step, which advises government entities, including the E.U. and the U.N., and companies ranging from Nike to McDonald's to BP on how to make their business models sustainable.

While Andre Heinz spoke, many in the crowd were stunned. Some even said that he definitely has a future in politics.

"He is a really down-to-earth kind of guy. He even drank Spotted Cow beer, and he loved the Beer Cheese Soup from the Acoustic Café," said a member of the College Democrats of UW-Stout. "I could definitely see him in future politics; he is a very well spoken individual,

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Low 57

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Oct. 11 through Oct. 19. First offense underage drinking: 26 Second offense underage drinking: 7 Public urination: 3 Disorderly conduct, assaultive behavior: 1 Criminal disorderly conduct: 1

Greedy capitalists
Police were notified on Oct. 14 that someone was chalking the sidewalk in front of JTC hall. Police were informed that the chalking had nothing to do with the University of Wisconsin-Stout. Police contacted the male subject chalking "www.chooseyourskinwisely.com" on the sidewalk at 4th Street and Broadway. The subject was advised that chalking anything on university property without permission from Student Services violates a university ordinance. The subject was warned that if police found any more related, unauthorized chalkings, he would receive a citation in the mail. The subject said he understood and would not do any more chalkings on campus.

Stay out of McCalmont
On Oct. 16 police responded to a criminal damage to property complaint in McCalmont Hall. The reporting resident advisor stated that she heard banging in the men's bathroom. She also saw two white males exit the bathroom and confronted them to ask what they were doing. The two males said they were doing nothing. When police arrived the RA showed the officers the damage. A stall door was bent and had been broken off its hinges. The door was removed, and the RA was advised to contact the police department if she recognized the two individuals in the area.

Go easy on the cough syrup
A CKTO hall resident advisor called police on Oct. 16 to report a passed out subject in CKTO hall. The subject was passed out on a couch when police arrived. Several RAs stated that they had asked the subject to leave three times over the course of six hours. Each time the subject had been found passed out. He was then woken up and asked to leave. Police escorted the subject out of the building and gave him directions to his residence on Wilson Ave.

Drunks are really rude
Between Oct. 15 and Oct. 17 four incidents of criminal damage to vehicles were reported in UW-Stout parking lots. Three people reported that the driver's side mirrors of their vehicles were broken off. The estimate damage in each incident was $250 to $350. One person reported that his vehicle had been keyed. There were two-foot long and five-foot long scratches on his hood and passenger side.

Tim Krueger
News Editor

Editor's Note:
Although this issue seems entirely weighted towards Democratic candidates, this was not intentional. The Democratic party has sent numerous candidates and representatives to our area that have been of interest to students, however there has not been any similar representaion from Republican candidates. As an individual and professional, I do not take a stance with one particular political party, and The Stoutonia has a policy of not affiliating with any particular party. I could claim serendipity, though the fact of the matter is that the Democratic candidates and representatives have made their presence more known in the Menomonie area than any of the other parties. Bush and Cheney have visited Eau Claire recently, but with little publicity and without directly inviting students. Enjoy the political coverage on this eve of what some may consider the most important election in decades, and take from our coverage what you will. Even though we have coverage of only one side, it still will serve to educate the student body on the matters at hand, for them to agree or disagree with the candidates and issues covered. Therefore, decide who is most worthy of the most important vote; yours.

~ Tim

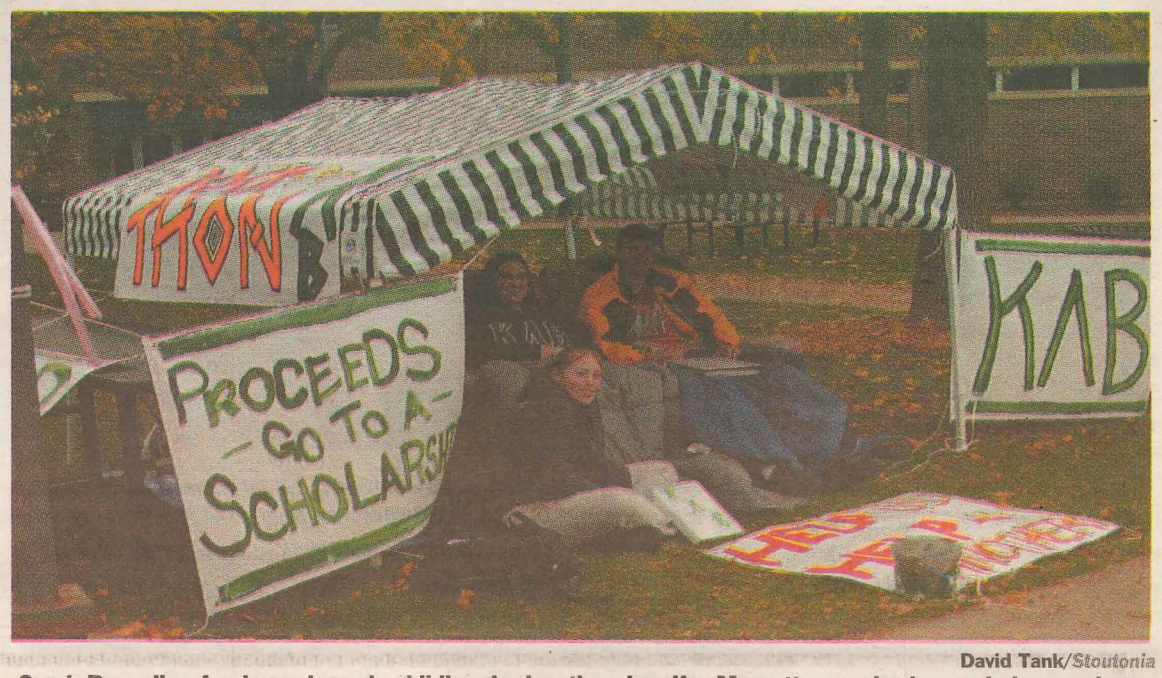
NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has recently signed an agreement with the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to allow graduates of technical colleges to apply their two-year degree towards a four-year degree in industrial management. "Industry demands a well-educated workforce, and this degree was designed to answer that demand," said Wendy Dittman, program director in a press release.

"Transforming Organizational Performance," a summit for Training and Development, will be held on Thursday, Nov. 4 at UW-Stout's Memorial Student Center. The conference will cost $155. Full-time students may attend for $75. The conference will start at 9 a.m.

Two Japanese climbers were found dead in Yosemite National Park on Wednesday, apparently from a snowstorm. The two were dangling off a 3200-foot-tall cliff. Four feet of snow and 50 mile-per-hour winds made immediate rescue impossible.

Researchers have confirmed a key portion of Einstien's theory of relativity by studying the gravitational changes in the earth over the past 11 years. They have concluded that earth does warp the space around it as it travels through space, by studying up to 6 feet per year of gravitational field change.



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Sarah Russell, a freshman in early childhood education, Jennifer Marcott, a senior in psychology and Scott Christiansen, a sophomore in general business participate in KAB's Rock-a-thon to raise money. A total of 25 students will rock in the chair from 7 p.m. on Tuesday to 7 p.m. on Friday.

Card swipers new to dorms

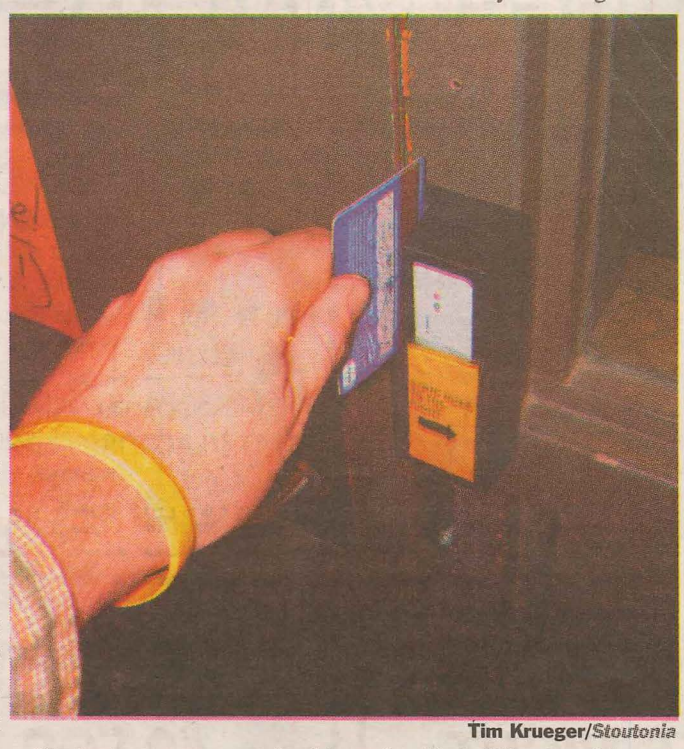
By Crystal Miller
News Writer

At the start of the new school year at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, many new security precautions were visible.

The most recent on-campus security safeguards are the identification card readers.

The new devices are located in the vestibules of each dormitory hall and are activated at midnight each night until 7 a.m. each morning.

There are also night security personnel at the front desk to keep watch of students who come in between midnight and 3 a.m.



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Students are now required to swipe their ID's at residence halls after midnight.

Some students are still getting used to the new devices.

"I got locked out one Saturday morning… It was 9 a.m. I didn't think I needed it," said Haley Sween, a sophomore in business.

This may seem pointless to some students, however, the security personnel is there to make sure people are coming in safely during the busiest hours of the night.

The card readers work by the student swiping the card; which then unlocks the door.

However, the reader only admits residents of the dormitory, and it records who is entering the building at what time.

With this system, if a problem arises at a certain time, they have some contacts for possible witnesses.

"I am having a problem with my card working… the magnetic strip is worn out, so now I have to spend $25 on a new one that I don't really need, because every where else it works," said Katie Olmstead, a junior.

Although there are some minor lapses, overall the new ID readers are working.

"Card access is a great technology addition to our residence halls this year," said Dipra Jha, director of North hall. "Students are finding it user friendly and convenient."

"I think they are working well so far, but there are some improvements that need to be made," said Derek Brost, a sophomore in multimedia design.

Brost believes that they should allow any UW-Stout student with a Stout ID to enter into all dorms since that is how it was before.

Heinz speaks to students

bringing John Kerry's agenda to Stout

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and he is very easy to talk to."

From the consensus of the crowd, everybody liked him. He paid attention when people spoke, answered thoroughly, and was very open to the crowd.

Andre Heinz spoke to the people about Sen. John Kerry's goals for America and what effect they would have on our society.

Some of the goals are: education reform, where after school programs will be open until 6 p.m. in order to continue educating and helping the students with tutoring and keeping them out of trouble.

According to one of Kerry's environmental plans, if people give two years of full-time community service, they will get their first four years of college paid for in full by Americorps, a full-time volunteer organization in association with Peace Corps and Teach for America.

He will try to make alliances on a global scale, and to also utilize available resources to get terrorists before they can attack America.

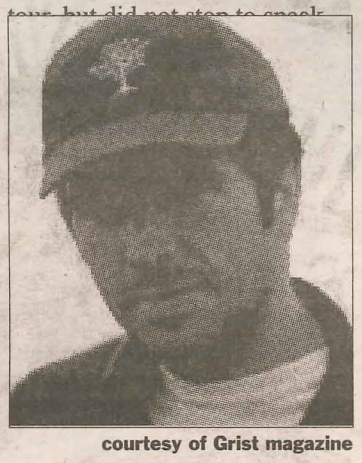
Finally, he will try to lead a coalition of able soldiers and countries, because to him, no force on earth is more able than the United States and its allies.

These plans are all found on John Kerry's web site, www.johnkerry.com.

Andre Heinz's visit was that of major importance to some here at UW-Stout.

Students were taken back at what Heinz had to say, but most of the people at the Acoustic Café were very pleased.

There are no scheduled visits to the Menomonie area from members of the Bush family. President Bush visited Menomonie briefly in August on a bus tour, but did not stop to speak.



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Andre Heinz, stepson of John Kerry came to UW-Stout to speak about issues.

Edwards / *local rally*

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ing, and now people can't pay for it anymore. What we have is hundreds of thousands of young people in America who want to go to college and they're qualified to go but they're not going," Edwards added.

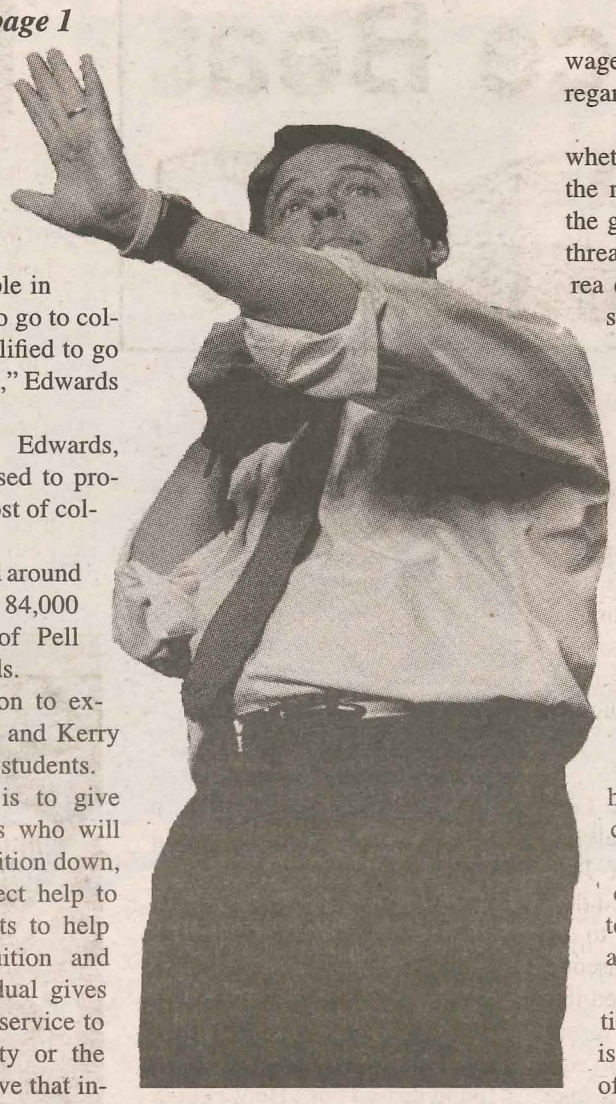
According to Edwards, George Bush promised to provide help with the cost of college tuition.

"Then he turned around and tried to cut 84,000 young people off of Pell grants," said Edwards.

Edwards went on to explain a plan that he and Kerry have to help college students.

Their strategy is to give direct help to states who will keep their college tuition down, then to provide direct help to families and students to help pay for college tuition and thirdly if an individual gives two years of public service to the state, community or the country, they will give that individual four years of college tuition.

Edwards and Kerry also plan to increase the minimum wage and change certain rules regarding overtime.



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Edwards speaks to a rally of students at UW-Eau Claire on Tuesday.

"At the end of the day, whether you're talking about the mess that we now have on the ground in Iraq, the growing threat in Iran and North Korea or you're talking about the struggles that all of you are facing every single day," said Edwards.

"What George Bush and Dick Cheney have proven over the last four years is that they are incompetent to deal with the threats away from America," said Edwards.

Edwards said that the Bush administration has shown over and over is that they are incompetent at doing the things that have to be done to keep this country safe.

Edwards' speech was concluded with an attempt to rally the crowd to go out and vote.

"We've heard so many times over our lives that this is the most important election of our lifetime, [however] this is the most important election of our lifetime."

"We all know it," Edwards said.

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much college tuition is currently, and when he went to UW-Madison in the 1970s, it only cost him $10,000. He then said that we are in a "denial of the American dream" because we have students who drop out of college because they cannot afford their tuition, and that under his plan, he will try to allocate $10,000 in aid for each college student in Wisconsin.

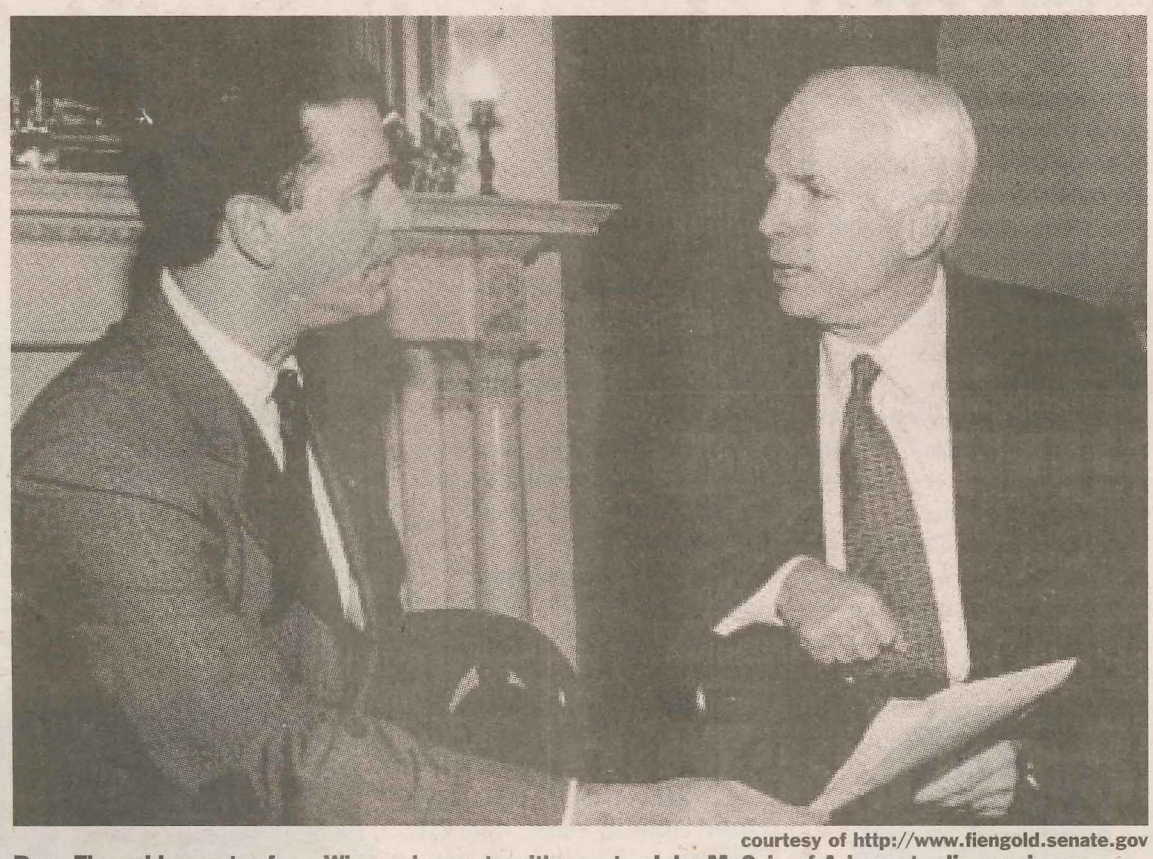
After a couple minutes of applause, Feingold spoke about his opponent Tim Michels. He stated that Tim Michels is a "let's not do anything serious" opponent.

Feingold stated Michels does't care that 80,000 manufacturing jobs were lost in the state of Wisconsin in the past three years, because of sending jobs overseas, and also NAFTA sent roughly 23,000 workers to the unemployment office.

Feingold spoke about the efforts of our government to fight terrorism after 9/11, mentioning he voted for the operartion to invade Afghanistan and try to find Al Qaeda.

He told the crowd that in the month that followed, George W. Bush sent a letter to all the senators on Capital Hill, listing the 45 countries that had Al Qaeda connections, and Iraq was not on the list.

Feingold said that he would be in favor of attacking Iraq if they did have biological weapons or Al Qaeda training camps, but Iraq didn't have these things.



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Russ Fiengold, senator from Wisconsin meets with senator John McCain of Arizona to discuss issues.

Feingold was also the only senator to vote against the Patriot Act.

"I was really the only senator who really read the bill, and I knew that it was not a good thing for this country," said Feingold.

After about 20 minutes the crowd was visibly enthusiastic about Feingold's goals.

"I really respect him, and I respect his ideals and his ideas on what our state and country needs," said Jillian Clemens, a junior in early childhood education.

After Russ Feingold was finished with his speech, the whole crowd jumped into applause and cheers. Many were able to shake his and give their support.

"It's awesome to see him stop by a small campus like this, and I appreciate that he recognizes the vast potential of young voters, and also I think it was very admirable that he was the only senator to vote against the Patriot Act," stated Erik Landru, a graduate student in training and development.

In an interview with The Stoutonia staff, Feingold was asked if he expected a great turnout of young voters.

"Yes, every college campus that I visit there are numerous amounts of young people who want to voice their opinions, and to get their vote out," said Feingold. "I believe that we are going to have a huge turnout of college students voting this year."

The Stoutonia staff asked why Feingold thinks college students should vote for him.

"I stand up for our Constitution and for our Bill of Rights," said Feingold. "I am always working hard for better college tuition and for better funding for our universities. I stand up for the rights of a college student, and I will work hard for their education."

The Stoutonia staff also had the chance to interview Gary Bakke, former president of the Wisconsin Bar and the candidate for the state senate.

Staff asked Bakke what he thought of Senator Feingold.

"I think that he is excellent," said Bakke. "I am very impressed with Russ' intelligence, and his tenacity to work on the Kerry campaign. He was very brave to stand up for what was right and to vote against the Patriot Act, even when he knew that in doing so his vote could ruin his career."

Bakke added "He stands alone with his conscience, and 'right is right'; he had the courage to make a rational decision on Iraq when most of the country wanted revenge for 9/11."

"I am proud to be on the same party as Russ Feingold," said Bakke.

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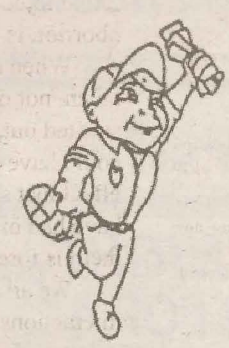

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Donate some time to help others

Staff Editorial
as written by Lindsey Schuldt

Definition of altruism: Unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness.

George Eliot once said, what do we live for, if not to make life easier for others? Anybody who has ever gone to college knows what it is like to volunteer their time. Either they did it at some time in high school, or they joined an organization on campus that volunteers throughout the year.

In general, the word volunteer means the selfless giving of one's time, efforts and skills to another being or cause, without expecting anything in return. The idea of volunteering stems from only the purest of intensions. Yet how many college students hear this word and cringe?

Ninety percent of our staff has never volunteered to help someone, out of the goodness of their hearts, without expecting anything in return.

What do you really get for your time, for your efforts, for your skills?

Volunteering looks good on a piece of paper, and everybody knows it. Employers look for it because it shows motivation, which is highly connected with respect, service-minded attitude and good work.

People who donate their time are seen as those who benefit society, which is why the government gives benefits and tax breaks to companies who offer their time to different causes.

Organizations on campus are expected to volunteer so many hours each semester, and some campuses require a certain amount of volunteer hours in order for students to graduate.

There is unspoken pressure that forces students to do what would otherwise be great deeds. Opportunities are all over campus to lend an unpaid helping hand, such as joining a volunteer sorority or fraternity, or helping elderly people rake their leaves.

If you were restricted, as the elderly are, would you hope that someone would want to help you? Of course you would. But that is because it is your need.

We help others to fulfill a need of our own, completely defeating the purpose of helping others: selflessness.

Volunteering can be considered a restriction of freedom despite all of the good it brings. In today's society, time equals money, but you don't get a monetary award for assisting others. So for many students, there is no satisfaction unless there is some kind of personal payout. 'I spent my time helping out with so and so, what's in it for me?'

Assisting others without payout doesn't make life easier for you. That's not the idea. The idea is to make someone else's life easier because you can.

But is it our responsibility to help others in need? If no one said, "This is an important thing to put on paper, you need to do it," would you still be out there, raking leaves or cooking a meal for those who can't provide for themselves?

Helping others is a very rewarding way to spend time, no matter the pay, benefits or time. The people you meet, the lives you affect and the kids you inspire, are what volunteering is all about. That's what life is all about.

Whether people see volunteering as a waste of time and energy is up to each individual. One truth remains though, helping others is a fulfilling experience that makes life easier for everyone. How many people would do something to make their friends smile?

Believe it or not, some people volunteer; to make someone's day a little brighter and to know that they were responsible for giving a piece of their life to another.

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Abortion is an issue that needs to be addressed

In a perfect world there would be no abortions, but we don't live in a perfect world

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

Abortion. This is one of the major hot-button issues this fall and truth be told; I loath it. The killing of people in a fashion I find abhorrent, whether it's through war, state sanctioned lethal injections or terrorism, abortion is still murder.

When a person's life is taken, not only is their existence snuffed out, but all the person could have been is erased. Any effect that said individual could have had on the world around them is forever erased.

We all have countless interactions with those around us every day. Each time a person dies, another potential interaction is lost.

Many lives are lost every day to abortion; an infinite amount of possibilities wasted. Would I personally prefer that this procedure not occur? In a perfect world, yes.

We do not live in a perfect world. We cannot live in a perfect world. The very idea of perfection is subjective and relative to each person. Adolph Hitler had his idea of a perfect world as did John Lennon. I have my own thoughts on the subject as you probably do.

Unfortunately each person's concept of "the perfect world" involves manipulation of the universe towards those goals.

This returns to the topic of abortion. Should I seek to force my own values upon those around me?

An answer to this question is not easy. Abortion has been a part of world culture for many years. For hundreds of years potions and elixirs were used to subjugate a fetus. More recently, but still before our time, coat-hangers were in use.

These two practices alone are dangerous not only for the intended victim but also the mother. Often the death or disfigurement of both parties was the result.

Currently in our culture this procedure is handled by trained professionals in sterile conditions. While still a grisly practice, the action is carried out in as safe a manner as possible. The risk of infection, scarring and mutilation is much lower.

In addition, counseling services are available for women going through the procedure. Both before and after the operation, counselors are available to help make sure that such a procedure is the correct route and to help deal with the consequences afterwards.

> *"We all have countless interactions with everyone around us every single day. Every time a person dies another potential interaction is lost."*

I do not believe that abortion will go away with any law we could impose. The practice would simply revert to previously unsafe methods.

Another reason I have for the continuation of current abortion practices are instances of rape. According to an article the *Stoutonia* ran last week regarding the federal assault grant, four women in 1,000 are raped during the school year. That's one in 250. To say that this is a disgusting statistic is an understatement.

Imagine the horrible prospect of being raped. Then imagine finding out that you are pregnant with the rapist's child. How would you feel? How would you react?

If I were to make a decision based only upon how I would want the world to be, "my perfect world," abortion would not be present but neither would things like rape.

Again I will point out that we do not live in a perfect world. When I make decisions about practices that affect not just myself but the world I live in, I try to remember that fact.

Issues such as and including abortion need to be addressed with an attitude of not just "What is good for me?" but "What is good for the community?"

Letters to the Editor

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From Congressman Kind

Dear Students,

I wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with an update on a recent vote in the House of Representatives on a bill to reinstate the draft. This was one of many important issues I heard from concerned students when I recently visited western Wisconsin college campuses.

In October of 2003, and again in September of this year, I had the opportunity to travel to Iraq and visit with the brave men and women of our Armed Services. I have never been more proud to be an American than when I saw our soldiers performing their mission under difficult and dangerous conditions. America's all volunteer armed forces has resulted in a "professional" military of the most highly trained, highly motivated soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines in history. While I believe that issues such as the current deployment of our troops in 138 countries and the ability of our armed forces to meet recruitment goals are important and need to be examined, I agree with our military leadership that a mandatory draft is not necessary and our volunteer military is working well. On October 5, 2004, the House voted 402-2 against this bill.

Please feel free to contact my office at 1-888-442-8040 with any thoughts or concerns or submit by email at: http://www.house.gov/kind/contact.shtml. I also would encourage your to write me at the email address above to join my student advisory committee on higher education issues.

Sincerely,
Congressman Ron Kind

About the 'ferrell' animals

I'm usually one to keep my mouth shut about grammar and spelling errors, even though it drives me crazy when an organization like the newspaper seems to miss the most obvious things. When someone spoke about walking "threw" a national park, I gritted my teeth and figured that it was a honest mistake.

However, reading this week's issue and seeing yet another horrendous typo that should have at LEAST gotten caught by the spell check motivated me to write this too you. Yes, I'm speaking of the "ferrell" animals that are apparently everywhere. Either Colin Ferrell has an affinity for wild boars, or the writer meant "feral."

I don't want to be [snotty], but I was under the assumption that the articles are at least read through before they're published. You guys are pretty good overall, but using spell check every once in a while doesn't hurt. Keep up the good work, otherwise.

Libby Bowers
UW-Stout Student

Responding to the robot criticism

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

In my column this week, I am writing in response to some criticism I received recently in regards to the integrity in which I write each article. It has come to my attention that there are people out there that think I'm some sort of rip-off artist because of my article detailing the funny, but all too common problems of robot attacks.

There are those that would say that I stole that idea, that I took the idea of robots attacking humans from another source or that I ripped it off.

My response to these statements is yes, but at the same time no. While true, I do many times write about true things that people I know have said or done, this is a completely different case. While the idea of robots attacking humans is certainly not a new one, no one person can claim ownership of a concept that is common to not only books, but movies and television as well.

That would be similar to me saying that I owned the rights to using a talking animal character in a cartoon. Obviously, many people have thought of and will think of talking animal characters, so the concept could never be exclusively mine.

And if that doesn't prove that I didn't steal the idea for my previous article, I will provide some examples of situations in which the robot attack concept was used, so as to remove any doubt to my criticizer(s) that the idea was not implicitly theirs.

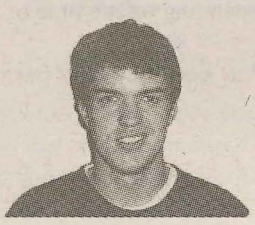
The first is a sketch a few years back on Saturday Night Live. A fake ad featuring Law and Order's Sam Watterson as an endorser for an insurance company that lets its policyholders take out additional robot attack insurance. This was taped somewhere in the early 90s, so am I ripping them off, too? I don't think so.

Another example is from the great, but short-lived, cartoon, Futurama. There was an episode of the show in which a robot planet attacked several humans that landed there. Have I been watching the Cartoon Network and taking notes? Highly unlikely.

And don't even get me started on the recent film "Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow" in which a myriad of giant robots attack New York city, killing many humans in the process. Should the director of that movie get royalties every time some kid from a small student newspaper in rural Wisconsin mentions robot attacks? No way, no how.

As anyone can see, I did not steal my idea for that article; I merely put my own spin on the broad and widely used concept of robots rising up against their human masters in rebellion. I hope this clears things up for anyone who may think otherwise.

It's our job to make sure they live up to our expectations



Brian Legg
Columnist

It's almost over folks. Pretty soon a rich Yale graduate will be our president and everything can go back to normal. Funk that. I say it has only just begun.

Don't get me wrong, I am ready to have this blasted campaign over and done with, but for me, the better part is seeing if the winner can even come close to living up to his promises.

I don't intend to take a passive role in this process, either. Especially if my guy wins, he had better prove to me that I made the right choice. This is what an informed and active electorate is all about. You know, petitions and stuff, it's in the Constitution.

We need to hold these guys accountable for the crap they've poured in our ears over the past months. We need to let them know that we are paying attention, and they had better put up or shut up.

It should also be interesting to see what either of these men can do with a country so seemingly divided. Will they be able to rally popular support behind anything, or will the tactics of divisiveness remain prevalent?

Regardless of whether they can, we as a nation should and hopefully will. There are things that most of us value, which we can agree upon. "Life, liberty and property" as the saying goes.

I have been doing my best to speak with people who disagree with me to find a common ground. Quick shout out to Mike and Jake. We agree that Kerry and Bush are both blowing hot air, but what they're talking about is important. Security, the economy, jobs and healthcare all matter to Americans.

It really is "we the people" who have the ability to change the world around us to our liking. We can't expect the president to change our immediate situation that dramatically.

JFK once said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country."

What you can do is stay informed, listen and be heard. Live your life the way you think everyone else should.

Homecoming not quite the same for oldies

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

I had high expectations for my sixth and final Homecoming at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. Over the years it's always been a great weekend to celebrate well past my heart's content.

I remember how much fun Homecoming was as a freshman, and that I never thought it could get old. I actually wished I could be stuck in my college years forever as it seemed like life couldn't possibly get any better.

Now, I actually feel stuck at college in my final semester, and I have been ready for quite some time to be in the next stage of life.

As the weekend progressed I came to the realization that besides having alumni friends come back to visit, it was a sad Homecoming finale.

I made a serious attempt at trying to enjoy the events, beginning with heading out to the parade, only to be shocked by how few people were actually there lining the street. I used to have so much school spirit, dressed in full Stout attire; now all I wanted to do was go back inside where it was warm.

Perhaps the bitter, cold, pelting sleet made it a bit less enticing to be there, as well as being completely sober. I wanted to actually remember Homecoming for once and decided to wait to drink until later Saturday night.

Thank goodness my neighbors had a WWF wrestling ring set up, which lightened the mood of the sour weather.

During my many years of maturing, I have finally realized that drinking past the point of consciousness so many times in one's college career actually makes it less enticing to ever really drink that much again.

The football game was a bit difficult to enjoy clear-minded; we lost, I didn't have my usual alcohol content to keep me warm and everyone else that was there was so completely annihilated that they were just overwhelmingly annoying.

Meeting up with old friends is always a challenge when everyone is drinking. No one hears their phone ring, everyone forgets where and when you were actually meeting, and the bars are never a good spot to find anyone on Homecoming.

Foolishly, I made an attempt to meet up with several people out at the bars; except by the time I actually got in, I wandered through, searching only to find strangers, and ended up right back outside in the cold.

I'm at the stage where I'd much rather be in a warm house that isn't full of smoke, savoring finely selected wine with the same exact friends that feel the bars have more to offer. The comfort a home has to offer, as well as the clean restroom, makes staying in seem like the obvious answer.

All in all, Homecoming '04 as a celebration was a very sobering experience. It's time to move on. Watch out real world here I come!

War impacts soldiers and students

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

As the 2004 Presidential election nears, you can't turn on your television or radio without being targeted as a voter under the age of 30. Those who are spewing this propaganda must know where you are. They target all of your favorite shows, send you mail and come to your school. But do they really know what issues you think are important?

"Before my boyfriend was mobilized, I didn't think about the War on Terror or the war in Iraq," said Susan Matzke, a senior in psychology. "Now, I have a biased opinion, and I don't think of it as political. I don't want [the United States] to be there because I don't want someone I care about to be there. I don't want him to have anything to do with it, and I just want him to be done."

Matzke is not the only one impacted by the war. According to the Office of the Dean of Students, an estimated 75 men and women have withdrawn from school for military reasons since the attacks on Sept. 11, and not all students have formally withdrawn, especially if they received orders outside of an academic semester.

"I joined the military for a variety of reasons," said Josh Bowers, a senior in technical education. "Partly for money for college, family history and a chance at adventure."

However, when enlisting in the military as a heavy equipment operator, Bowers had no idea he would spend 11 months in northern Iraq to fight a war.

Courtesy of Josh Bowers

Josh Bowers, a private in the U.S. Army Reserve, is one UW-Stout student who fought the war in northern Iraq. He overcame emotional and physical challenges while overseas and is still adjusting to being home.

"I built and improved roads, constructed check points and built and tore down U.S. army and Iraqi base camps," said Bowers. "For the first several months, we stayed in a blown up Iraqi air force barrack or tents which were even worse. The country side of Iraq is totally littered with trash and smells terrible."

According to federal law, a person who is in the military cannot be financially or academically harmed due to military orders.

"We do our very best to facilitate the withdrawal of students for military reasons," said Joan Thomas, the assistant dean of students. "Each situation is different depending on the point in the semester the orders were received, the student's course load, the classes and professors that they have.

"We try to refund tuition, work with the financial aid office and refund unused dorm and food services. We also maintain their e-mail account and made the process of reentry as simple as possible."

However, students who are mobilized do face academic penalty because they have to stop going to school for the duration of their active time in the military.

"Now that I'm back there are all new types of standards, electronic portfolio and another test I have to take to graduate; none of which I would have had to do if I graduated when I supposed to," said Bowers. "But now that I'm a veteran, I have a whole bunch more benefits I can get so I'm taking a minor in Drivers Education and studying abroad in Australia."

Other students are academically affected in different ways than Bowers due to the War on Terror.

"My mind is constantly somewhere else," said Matske, referring to her boyfriend, John Reposa, a senior in telecommunication. "It's really hard to stay focused on me and what I need to do. We've been together since I was a freshman, it's just a whole lot lonelier."

Some students also have family members and friends from home that were sent to a variety of different countries after Sept. 11.

"My dad is the head of judiciary reform in Afghanistan," said Emily Kempainen, a junior in retail merchandising and management. "He's been activated since January of 2003. I'm extremely proud of my dad, and I can't be scared about him being over there because I have so much respect for what he does. But every time I turn on the T.V. or hear something happened, there's always that underlying fear that something happened to my dad."

"It makes me feel good that our mission in Afghanistan is working here [Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan] so well in this regard," Paul Kempainen, E. Kempainen's dad, said in an email about the recent Afghan elections. "Seeing the Afghan people establishing their own brand of democracy without help is tremendously satisfying."

"It's just nice to hear from him to know he's okay," said E. Kenpainen.

For students who must leave for military purposes, online courses may be available depending on the time of year

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Realities and prevention of breast cancer

By Tracy Campbell
Student Life Writer

Approximately one in eight women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime and according to http://www.emedicine.com, each year 43,000 of those women will die. The pink ribbons that are adorning light posts around campus remind women to be aware of the threat that breast cancer poses.

Women should start breast self exams when they are in their early 20s, investigating any abnormalities such as lumps, swelling or discharge, which signify that medical attention is needed. Breast abnormalities in the form of tumors are either benign or malignant.

Malignant tumors are often hard, painless (in most cases), cause bloody discharge/ retraction of the nipple, and cause the skin to pit.

Malignant tumors are caused when there are mutations to apoptotic genes (genes that cause the cell to self destruct) and also can be caused by alterations to the genes that direct the cell to divide. In either case, the cell begins to divide uncontrollably causing a tumor.

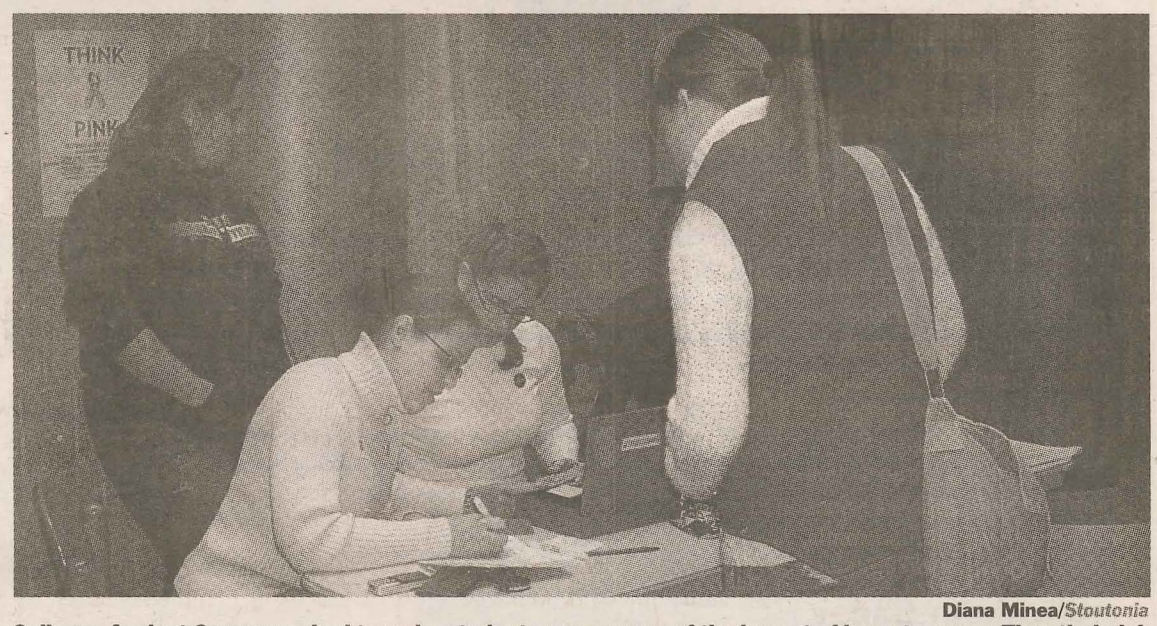
Benign tumors are rubbery, often painful, have regular margins, do not cause skin to dimple and do not cause discharge or retraction of the nipple.

When an abnormality is detected, the first course of action is to get a mammogram, which is an x-ray of the breast and shows densities in the mammary tissue. If a solid mass is found in the x-ray, a biopsy is performed.

When a biopsy is performed, a small sample of tissue is taken with a needle and then tested to determine the composition.

If the growth is found to be abnormal then it is removed. The extracted tumor is then ranked based on its form and structure. The rank of the tumor determines whether or not chemotherapy or radiation treatments are needed.

According to http://www.cancer.org/, radiation works by transmitting waves such as x-rays or gamma rays that kill cells while they are dividing but leave normal resting cells intact. Cancerous cells divide rapidly, whereas most cells in the body are at rest.



Diana Minea/*Stoutonia*

Colleges Against Cancer worked to make students more aware of the impact of breast cancer. They tied pink ribbons on poles around campus and sold t-shirts to recognize national Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Chemotherapy entails the use of chemicals to make the killing of rapidly dividing cells that have spread throughout the body possible.

Remember that early detection is the best treatment. Remind friends and loved ones to perform self-exams. Men should remember this too.

"It saddens me to think of how many people are affected by breast cancer, but it is so important that people realize there are resources available to help patients and loved ones get through the disease," said Lindsey Nettesheim, vice president of Colleges Against Cancer and a senior in packaging engineering.

"Please encourage people you know that are suffering from the disease, either as a patient or through a loved one, to utilize the support resources that are available to them," said Nettesheim. It will help them get through the really tough times."

Stout Watch

Organization Presidents

Crystal Peace
Psychology Senior
Academic Honor Society President
Hometown: St. Francis, Minn.

What would you name your own rock band?
I have absolutely no musical talent.

What is the worst job you've ever had?
Working with the Got Milk? campaign was horrible. I had to give out-of-control children milk mustaches and try to get them to pose for pictures before they licked the mustache off.

Who do you think will win the election?
Bush, Americans are too smart to vote otherwise.

As a child, what was your dream job?
A jockey; I was crushed when I found out I was about seven inches too tall.

What is the funniest prank you have pulled on someone?
In high school, we moved my friend's truck to the baseball field and put a Port-a-Potty in the back.

What would you change about this school given the power?
I would put more treadmills in the Fitness Center.

What is your least favorite word?
"Cuddling" It reminds me of Teletubbies and Care Bears.

What is the biggest risk you have ever taken?
Joining the Marine Corps when my parents were completely against it.

What song is most meaningful to you?
Incubus' "I miss you." Just listen to the lyrics.

What is your favorite part of your club?
Being able to do things for the community through fundraisers and donation nights.

Tim Strey
Manufacturing EngineeringSenior
Stout Paintball Club President
Hometown: Holcombe, Wis.

What would you name your own rock band?
Astronomical.

What is the worst job you've ever had?
If I tell you, I might get fired.

Who do you think will win the election?
Unfortunately, John Kerry because everyone pretty much hates the fact that we invaded Iraq.

As a child, what was your dream job?
I wanted to work for Lego so that I could get all the sets at an employee discount.

What is the funniest prank you have pulled on someone?
Rigging fire crackers to the front door was pretty interesting.

What would you change about this school given the power?
Remove some of the beaurocratic red tape that sometimes gets in the way of really accomplishing anything.

What is your least favorite word?
People should stop saying, "Git-R-Done!"

What is the biggest risk you have ever taken?
I once ran with scissors on the deck of a swimming pool less than an hour after eating.

What song is most meaningful to you?
"Cowboy" by Kid Rock. I think of all the wicked, cool, fun I had my freshman year spring break.

What is your favorite part of your club?
Getting involved in something on campus besides classes, and being able to meet other people who are interested in the same thing I am.

Slant

What is the meaning of life in five words or less?

"To be happy and prosperous."
Tara Kulenkamp
Senior
Retail Merchandising and Management

"To know one's self."
David Starr
Senior
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"Kill, feed, mate, die, repeat."
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and what the University of Wisconsin-Stout has available.

"A few students have taken online courses, particularly before they go overseas," said Thomas. "However, once they leave the United States, many don't know what Internet access is going to be like or the amount of time they will have available to allocate to studying."

The military restricts contact with family and friends based on where each solider is located and the technology available in that area.

"For the first six months I kept in touch by letters and one 15 minute phone call per week," said Bowers. "After that, there were more phone tents and Internet work stations [rooms with computers and Internet access] available. For the first six months I only contacted close family members by phone because when you only have 15 minutes, you can't spend much time and a couple of close friends after that, but friends were mostly just letters."

Although federal law states that due to military activation a solider cannot be financially harmed, when signing a lease, a landlord can legally require your roommates to pay your amount. American Edge declined comment when questioned about their policy.

"My lease ended in May, and by law a landlord has to let you out of a lease if mobilized," said Bowers. "But my roommates would have had to pick up my share so I continued to pay the rent without staying there. I didn't want to lose the friendship with the three roommates I had; they would have been upset about having to pay for my share of the rent."

According to Bowers, the weather in Iraq is terrible, getting up to 150 degrees in the summer and extremely cold in the winter.

"Emotionally, a year away from your home in a third world country is pretty hard on somebody," said Bowers. "Physically, we carried around 35 pounds of protective gear, so by the end of the day we'd be worn out. During the summer we could sleep from about 10 p.m. – 6 a.m., but when it's really hot you can't sleep very well."

Matzke and Reposa are fortunate compared to other couples torn apart by war. Reposa is still located in the United States until Dec. 7 and Matzke's mom works for an airline so she is able to fly stand-by to see him when he's available.

"He always tells me to count down until the next time that I can see him to try to make it sound like it's not going to be a year and a half," said Matzke. "But I know it's hard on him to not be home with his family and me. We try and will continue to be each other's support to get through this. I'll just wake up every day and go to bed every day and try to go on… I guess."

Courtesy of Susan Matzke

Approximately 75 students have withdrawn from school for military reasons since the Sept. 11 attacks. John Reposa and Josh Guillen, two UW-Stout students, recently mobilized with Company A to help fight the war.

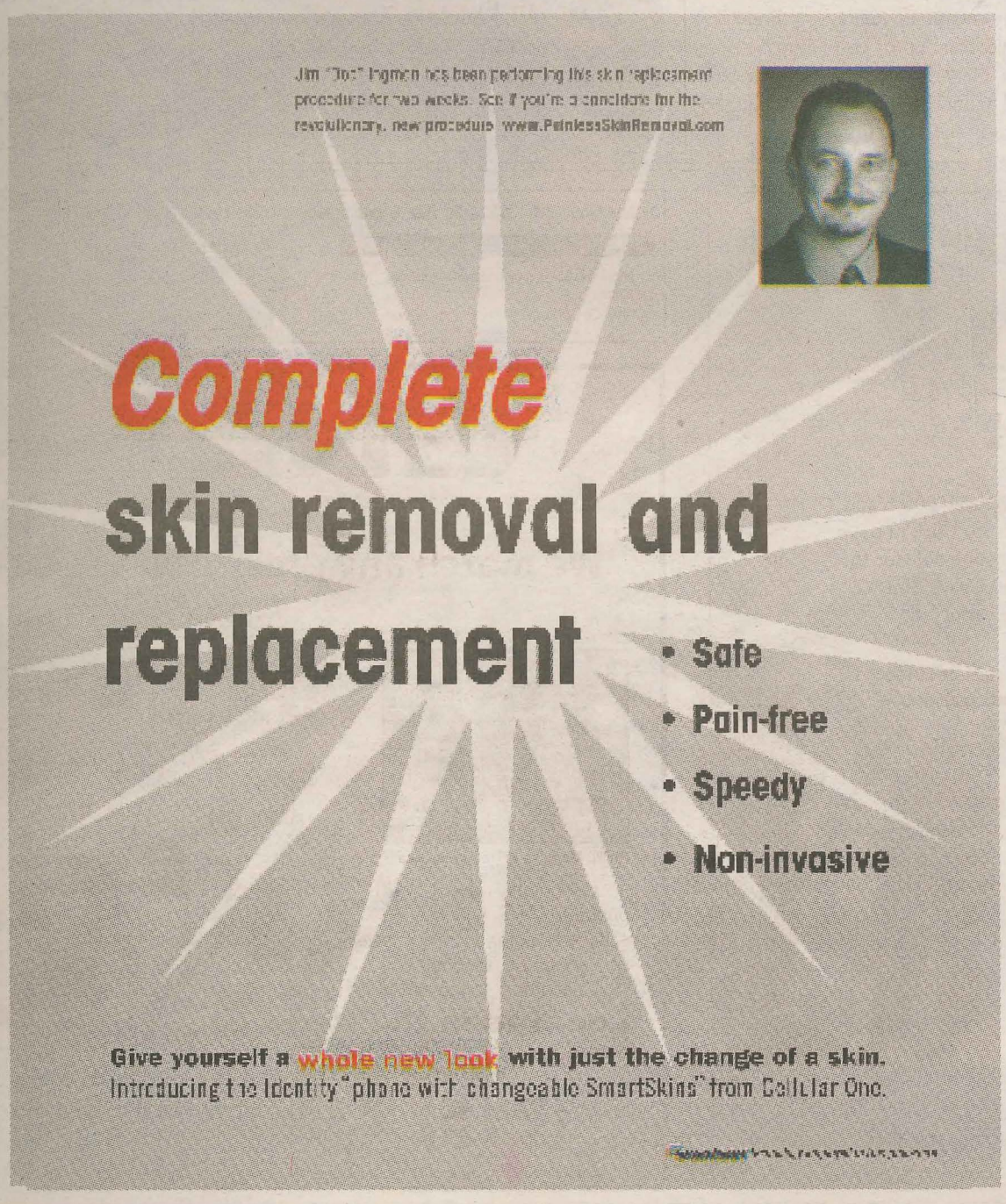
Politics aside, being sent to a third world country and having your life in danger can change a person forever.

"I don't worry about the simple things anymore," said Bowers when asked about how he's changed since returning. "Who's dating who, what Paris and Nicole are doing, all that stuff doesn't matter to me anymore. I look at the big picture. The entire time I was there, we didn't know when we were leaving. I had a lot of time to think about life, and I appreciate simple things like a hot shower, good food and down time. I'm more able to try new things. For instance, I joined the UW- Stout water ski team just because I wanted to learn to ski."

However, there are many adjustments Bower's needed deal with upon his return.

"It has been a rocky transition," said Bowers. "I only had one semester to go at Stout when I left, and most of my friends were the same way, so they're all gone now. When taking three semesters off of school, it's like coming back after not doing any studying for a year and a half. I'm trying to get back into the student lifestyle.

"It's amazing to me how little people know about the war in Iraq. When I tell some people that I spent 11 months in northern Iraq, they give me the same reaction as if I spent the weekend with a friend in the cities, and I think it's because they don't understand what I've done."



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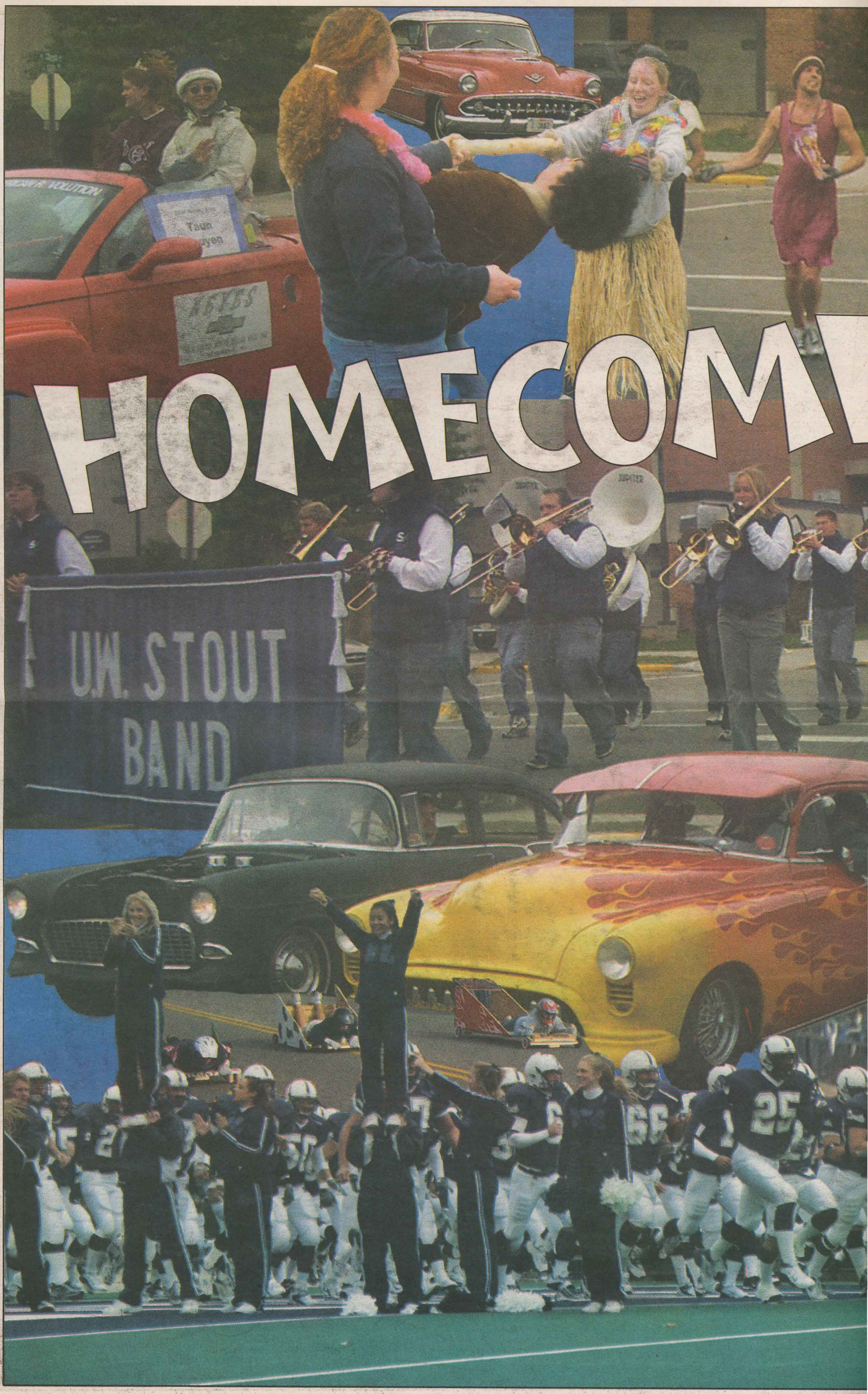
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No events scheduled.

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>**StoutReach,** fall yard clean-up.
>**Music: Flatfoot 56,** Blind Munchies Café, 6 p.m., free.
>**Community Thrift Sale,** Menomonie High School Cafeteria, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 24
No events scheduled.

Monday, Oct. 25
No events scheduled.

Tuesday, Oct. 26
>**Film: South Park: Bigger, Longer, Uncut,** 210 AA, 7 p.m.
>**Fall Yard Waste Clean-up:** South Menomonie, All yard waste will be picked up by City of Menomonie Crews.

Wednesday, Oct. 27
>**Debate:** Joe Plouff, Andy Lamb and Craig Mohn, Great Hall, 7 p.m.
>**Fall Yard Waste Clean-up:** North Menomonie, All yard waste will be picked up by City of Menomonie Crews.

Thursday, Oct. 28
>**Dave Wolfe and the Wolfmen,** Rec Center, 8 p.m., free.
>**North Campus Trick-or-Treat,** Flemming, Hovlid,Wiggin and JTC Dorms, 5:30-7 p.m., free.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar? Send suggestions to

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Zanzibar: A likely place to eat

Katie Triphan
Entertainment Writer

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

(above) Bartender and server, Krystle Schmitt, reaches for one of the alcohol bottles from the ladder behind the bar. (below) Zanzibar's window reads, "A Most Unlikely Place".

Are you unafraid of trying escargots with mushrooms? That would be snails with mushrooms for those without a dictionary handy. If this is you, then you should visit the recently opened restaurant/pub Zanzibar.

Zanzibar is indeed, as its window sign boasts, "a most unlikely place." Located across from the post office on Main Street in downtown Menomonie the menu consists of a variety of items, most containing seafood, quite a deviation from the typical bar food you'd find on the strip.

If you do not care too much for seafood there are several dinner entré's on the menu that are appealing including chicken and pasta served with sautéed vegetables or pan seared lamb chops with sautéed mushrooms.

Tiffany Laschinger/*Stoutonia*

"I'm not a big seafood person, but I still thought the seafood they offered sounded very good and it seemed like a good variety. They have something for everyone. I would go back again," said Kelly Pavek a junior in the hotel restaurant and tourism major, who tried the shrimp pasta dinner at Zanzibar.

If you desire spicy food you should order the shrimp pasta. Or, if you prefer a dinner without spice, a great choice is the Penne Pasta with Pan Seared Trout. If you're looking to have something lighter than dinner try a Thai salad.

Lunch items at Zanzibar include many sandwich options such as a fried bologna sandwich or a lobster roll and a few pasta options like the fettuccini with sautéed halibut. All lunch items are priced under $8.00.

"[Zanzibar is] a fine addition to downtown Menomonie," said Charles Sorensen He took time out of his schedule to have lunch at Zanzibar several weeks ago.

"[Zanzibar is] something new and a very nice dining experience for Menomonie," said Associate Professor Bob Davies.

"I would consider it one of the better non-chain restaurants in the area. It is a very good value for lunch providing an array of seafood options. Dinner seems spendy, only as we are in Menomonie. The dinner pricing moves upward but is equal to the quality received."

Prices for appetizers range from $6.99 for grilled tuna steak nachos to $13.99 for lavosh, which is an armenian cracker bread topped with your choice of listed toppings. Entré's start at $10.99 and while two or three entré's extend to $18.99 the majority of the selections fit in the middle of the price range making dinner at Zanzibar

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Movie puts the fun back into the word funeral

Shaun of the Dead combines horror and comedy with the use of zombies

Jesse Young
Entertainment Writer

Watching "Shaun of the Dead" was a thrilling and hilarious experience. This movie was full of classic British comedy and yet, it was still a great horror film.

The main plot was a lot like George Romero's "Night of The Living Dead," find a haven and to wait out the zombies. The Geniuses behind SOTD are Edgar Wright and Simon Pegg. They put a modern spin on the story and created hilarious characters within a chaotic world and where friendships hold true.

Shaun (Simon Pegg) is a 29 year-old appliance store manager, who spends all his time playing video games, cutting rap sessions, and hanging out in his pub with his girlfriend Liz (Kate Ashfield), and his childhood best friend Ed (Nick Frost).

Shaun has a boring life and Liz gets tired of the same old pub and friends. So when Liz dumps Shaun, Ed cheers him up with a night of drinks. As the two chums walk through the lifeless night, they notice that there are a lot of people just stumbling around. They of course laugh it off and party on.

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Shaun, played by Simon Pegg, stares unknowlingly into the camera as the laughter begins.

The next morning, zombies come into the house and Shaun and Ed suit up and fight them off with an arsenal of "Dire Straights" LPs, a trusty cricket bat and a shovel. Shaun sets out to save his "on and off again" girlfriend and his mother Barbara (Penelope Wilton), and bring them to the safest place in all of London, The Winchester Pub. Brilliant idea.

"Shaun of the Dead" stars British filmmaker Simon Pegg, a hilarious writer from Briton's popular "Spaced" TV show. Pegg was also co-writer with writer-director Edgar Wright.

Surprisingly, SOTD was not of a spoof, like so many might think, it actually had a well written plot and the acting was superb. I'd give eight out of ten for the zombies. Excellent acting. Wright and Pegg tried to make this a drama film with comedy and zombies, and that's

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Zanzibar/*good dining*

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a viable option for the money-conscious college student.

If you're not full from dinner and plan to try dessert there aren't a lot of options listed on the menu. However, if you like peaches try the peach melba dessert served with ice cream and whipped cream.

The atmosphere is cozy and cheerful. The restaurant is decorated in a tropical theme adding to its festive feel.

The high-back booths are comfortable and spacious. Lights are dim keeping things private, making it a perfect spot to take your friends or significant other out on a date.

Zanzibar would also be a fun place to take the parents when they come to visit, but probably not the best option if little brothers or sisters were coming as well because Zanzibar does not offer a kid's menu.

Go early on Friday night to avoid the crowd and find parking on Main Street. If you don't feel up to dining out, you can get your order to go and stay in for the evening. The restaurant opens at 11 a.m. and the bar stays open until midnight although closing times for the kitchen vary. The restaurant is closed on Sundays.

Service is fairly friendly and helpful without being invasive. Wait staff was able to describe and recommend different menu items to us when questioned, and paid attention to promptly replace our glasses when our drinks were low.

Overall, I would give the restaurant an A-. The establishment was very clean, the food tasted good, the price range was reasonable, the atmosphere was welcoming, however, nothing too much out of the ordinary, and the service although it wasn't terrible, wasn't

Movie/*a cinema well worth renting*

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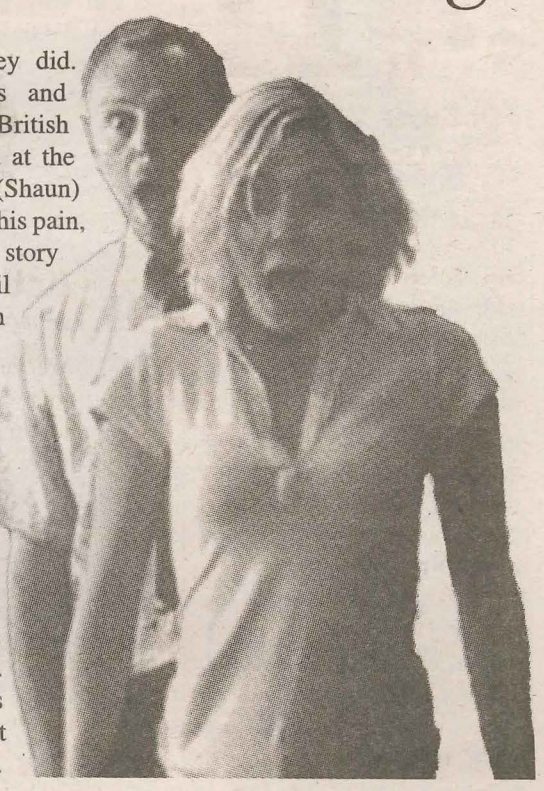

exactly what they did. Through the laughs and the cries of great British acting I was amazed at the tactfulness that Pegg (Shaun) was displaying. I felt his pain, and his love. The story pulls people in until the last scene, when all is well with the world, and man and zombie can live in harmony together.

I would rate this film, four stars out of five. It has a great plot, great acting from a wonderful cast, and superb visual effects. Go out and see this film. I can't wait for it to come out on DVD.

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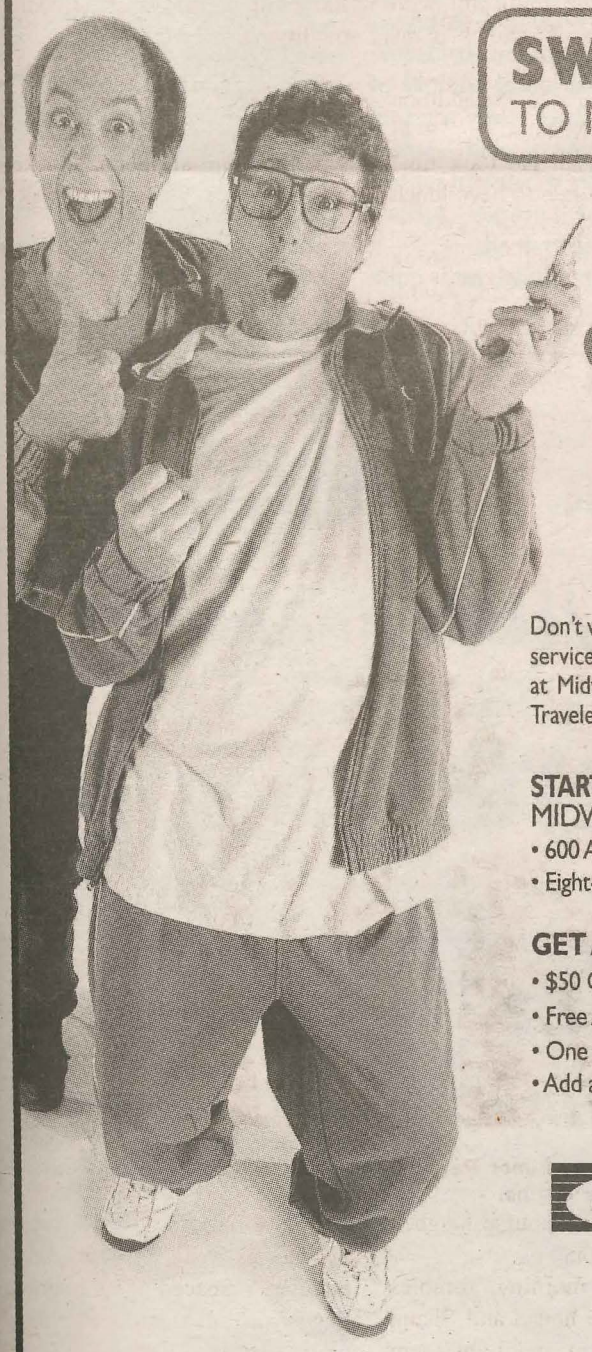

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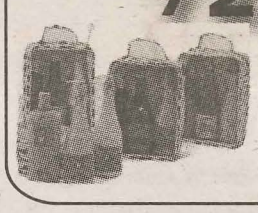

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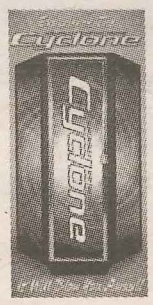

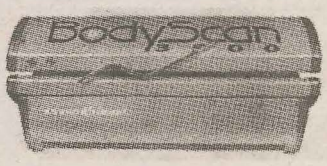

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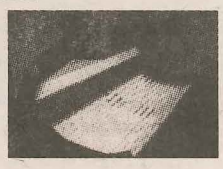

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Play at the Guthrie proves well worth the trip

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Entertainment Writer

I don't often go to plays, and when I do go it is never to a professional production. The reason for that, I'm ashamed to say, is laziness. While a trip to the movies usually only requires a trip across town and costs about $8, a trip to a quality professional theater can require a little more planning.

In my case, I needed to call in ticket reservations, pay $25, and arrange a ride to the Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis. I admit that it doesn't seem like much work when I lay it out like that, but for a slacker like me, let's just say I needed a nap.

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Eliza Doolittle blows out the flame.

My aversion to work aside, I'm very glad I overcame my initial laziness enough to catch the Guthrie Theater's production of "Pygmalion." It was definitely a worthwhile experience.

George Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion" follows the growth of cocky Eliza Doolittle from a lowly flower girl into a refined, self-possessed lady at the hands of egotistical linguist Henry Higgins.

If this sounds familiar, then you're probably remembering "My Fair Lady," a musical version of this play. If you're not the musical type or if you thought the ending of "My Fair Lady" was unsatisfying, then "Pygmalion" is probably just right for you. Even if that doesn't apply to you, you'll probably still want to see this.

A critique of the story itself will probably serve little purpose, since better critics than I have had a go at picking apart Shaw's masterwork.

It's useful to point out that apart from the continuous social commentary, not the least of which being the ability of a lowly peasant girl to rise above her station, the play's power lies within its characters.

It would be easy to portray Higgins and Eliza as caricatures, but Guthrie players do not play them that way. In fact, I can't get over how wonderful the cast of this show was.

Daniel Gerroll brings an underlying boyish insecurity to the role of Higgins, making him oddly sympathetic despite his bombast and arrogance.

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This picture is of the cockey Eliza Doolittle yelling at Higgens, the egotistical man that brings her from rags to riches.

"That woman [Higgins' housekeeper] has the most extraordinary ideas about me," Higgins wonders aloud during the first act. "Here I am, a shy, diffident sort of man. I've never been able to feel really grown-up and tremendous, like other chaps. Yet, she's firmly persuaded that I'm an arbitrary bossing kind of person. I can't account for it."

Of course the irony is that everyone else, especially the audience, can account for it. As Gerroll plays Higgins with such an oblivious glee that you get the feeling that maybe?

Bianca Amato brings remarkable depth and complexity to the role of Eliza Doolittle. It's a distinct pleasure to witness the verbal battles between the flower-girl-turned-duchess and the "confirmed bachelor" professor. The vocal oddities of Eliza could have easily screwed up any actress, but Amato gracefully shifts between refined English and cockney squeals with no problem at all.

The supporting cast is quite good, too. Raye Birk is quite likeable as Higgins' friend and colleague Colonel Pickering. Pickering's presence as a respectable, mannered gentleman provides a nice counter-balance to Higgins' cavalier way of dealing with, well, everyone.

Patricia Conolly is quite wonderful as Higgins' mother. Mrs. Higgins is the only character in the play able to balance intelligence and humanity. She is practical, sweet, wise, and the only character in the play who is neither impressed nor influenced by her son's behavior.

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Prime time has many new faces

By Stephaine Deshler
Entertainment Writer

As the weather turns colder and you spend more time indoors, it's important to know what's worth watching on the boob-tube and what's not worth more than toilet water.

Although reality shows in fall's prime time schedule aren't non-existent, the amount of new reality shows has decreased and the infamous sitcom/evening soap-operas are coming back to the trendy mainstream.

New this season on FX, channel 39 in Menomonie, is "Rescue Me," a dramatic comedy with characters working for the New York City fire department after the September 11th attacks.

Dennis Leary, one of thestars of the show, hallucinates the deceased, including a cousin of his who died in the World Trade Center. The firefighters in this department get into some sticky messes, including hiring a woman who they don't think is right for the job.

"It pushes the limits compared to other shows on T.V.," said Kimberly Roy, a senior in retail merchandise and management. "The humor is really good, and each episode is something even crazier and messed up than the last."

"Rescue Me" is primarily targeted to males due to the humor and situations but both genders may find it entertaining.

"Rescue Me" plays on Tuesday from 8 p.m. – 9 p.m. on channel 39.

If you're not into the action of saving innocent, virgin-like women from tall fiery buildings, try "Kevin Hill". It stars Taye Diggs as a 28-year-old, self-made, hotshot entertainment lawyer in New York City with the ultimate bachelor life.

Kevin's whole life turns upside down when he's left to raise the six-month-old daughter of his cousin, who unexpectedly passed away.

When Kevin's gay nanny, George, quits, he is forced to discontinue his workaholic law firm life for a flexible law office owned and staffed completely by women.

Kevin must adjust his attitude when dealing with his new co-workers, who include a professional single mom and boss; an underestimated legal weapon; and a whip-smart diva, who previously had a one-night stand with Kevin.

Despite continuing temptation from his party buddies, Kevin is determined to walk the line between the women at his job, the women that he chases and the baby girl waiting at home.

This show is perfect for traditional college students. It teaches many life lessons in balancing one's social, career and family life in hysterical and extreme ways. However, due to the nature of children, women may be more interested in this show than men.

"'Kevin Hill' is funny," said Susan Miller, a senior in retail merchandise and management. "He really never knew how to take care of a baby until he got stuck with one, then he had to say bye-bye to one night stands."

One of the newest television concepts when it comes to reality TV is recording the rich of the rich. And that's just what MTV's "Laguna Beach" is about.

"Laguna Beach" is one of the wealthiest beachside communities in the world, and this MTVs show is about a clique of eight rich teenagers that live there.

Their lives intertwine in ways you won't believe until you watch. You'll see the best friends share experiences through parties, relationships, love and small town injustice. This is where the angst and the tumultuous affairs are the stuff of primetime drama, except this is all real.

This show is perfect for those college gals that miss the atmosphere of high school or those who have always dreamed of being wealthy. For guys, the only real thing "Laguna Beach" can give you is the ability to watch these hot babes for an hour.

It's like "Baywatch", but younger.

"Life as We Know" it is a dramatic sitcom about a group of high school students with interjections from the male perspective.

This one-hour drama series is based on British author Melvin Burgess' novel, "Doing It". The show defines the spirit of life through the eyes of three hormone-charged, teenage boys on the brink of becoming young men.

This coming-of-age story is not just about sex – which dominates their every thought – girlfriends and sports, but about how the pressures of growing up affect their attitudes toward the things and people they love, and how these experiences with their families, friends, coaches and teachers shape them into men.

This is not a perfect show for college students, but if nothing else is on, give it a shot. Otherwise suggest it to the bored teen you know from home.

Some of this fall's primetime television is absolutely not made for college students.

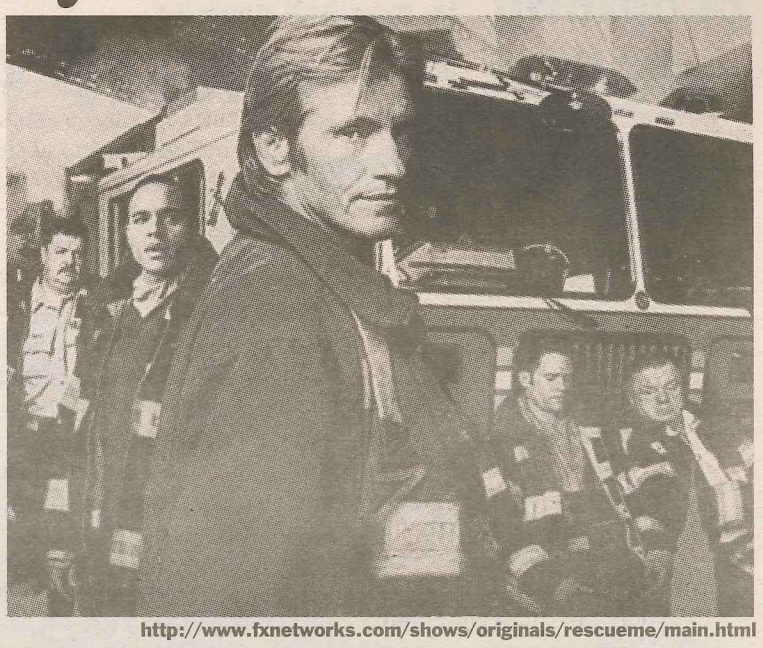
For example, "All of Us", a dramatic comedy about living in and dealing with a split family. Topics and issues cover things such as dating after divorce, dealing with children and finances. Although this is not exactly a show for college students, you may suggest it to your mom.

Another example is "Eve", which is about a woman that is a cross between Moesha and the Parkers. Eve dates, has friends and works through dramatic issues.

"After watching "Eve", I thought it seemed like a lot of other shows," said Tracey Durry, a senior in hospitality and tourism. "I probably won't be watching that again."

There are many other television shows on this fall that may be worth giving a shot, but one can only watch so much T.V. before they have to find something better to do.

For more current television listings and possible new shows for the winter, check out http://www.upn.com, http://www.mtv.



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(top) "Rescue Me" is a show about NYC firefighters. (middle) Taye Diggs stars as a hot shot attourney in "Kevin Hill". (bottom) "Life as We Know It" is a dramatic sitcom about teen life.

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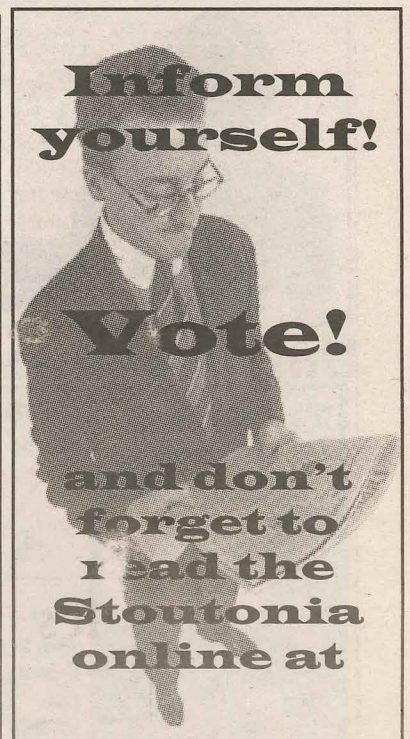

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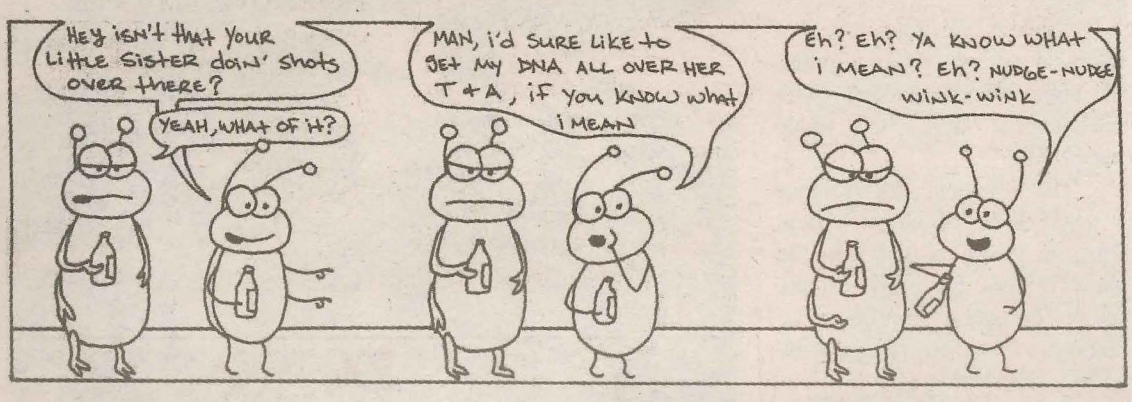

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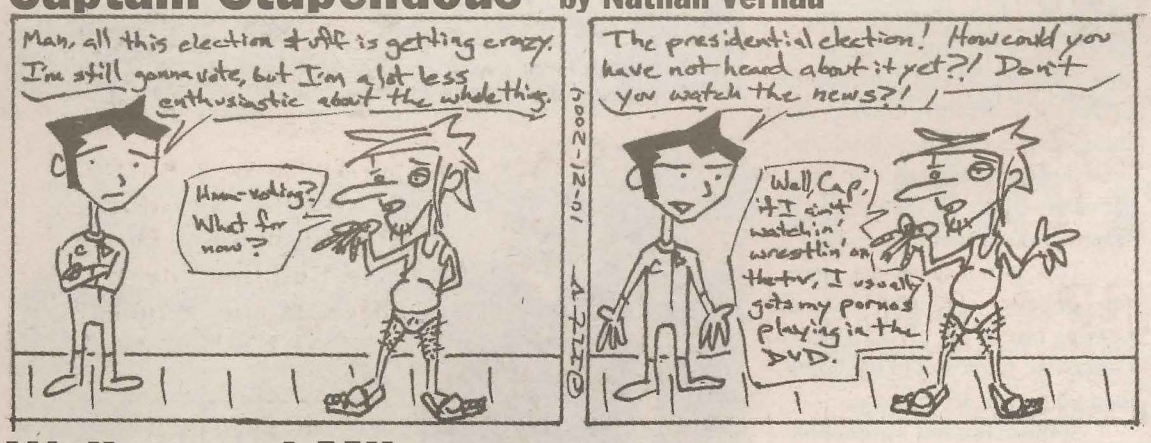

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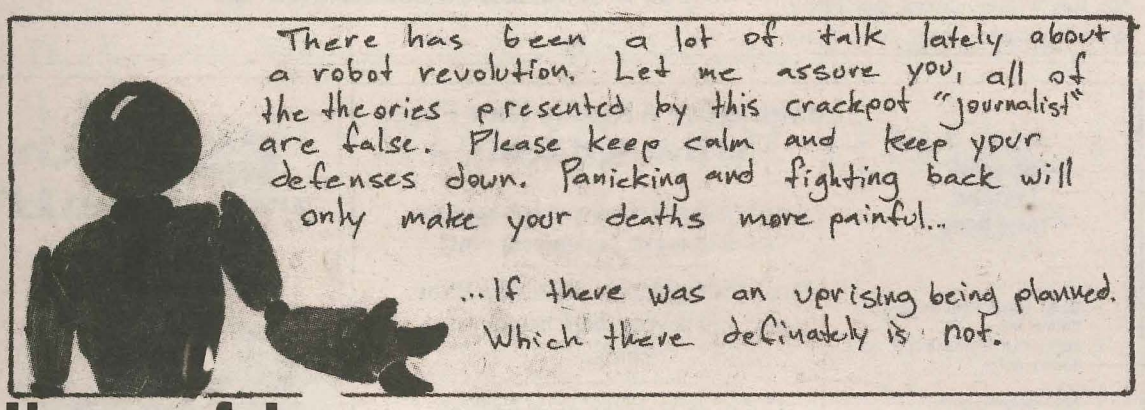

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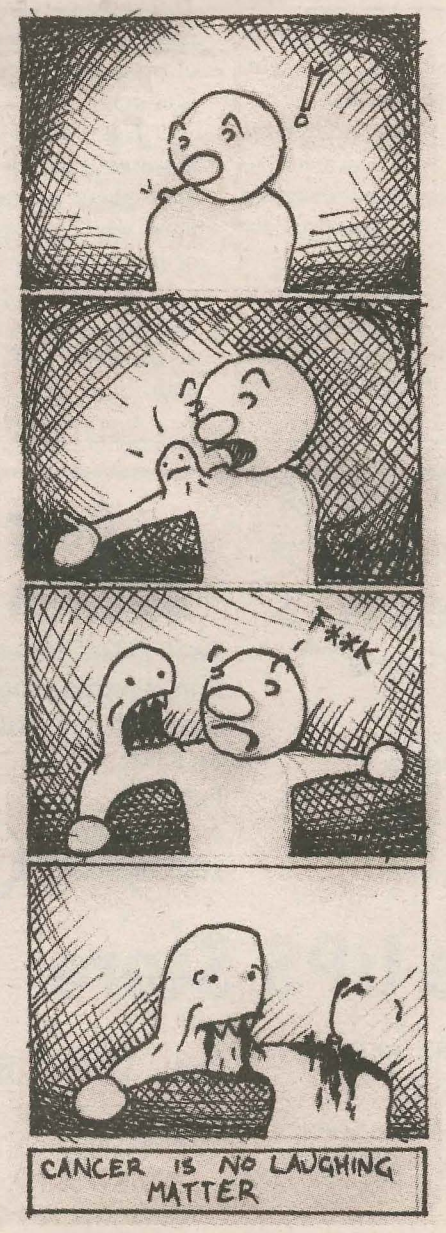

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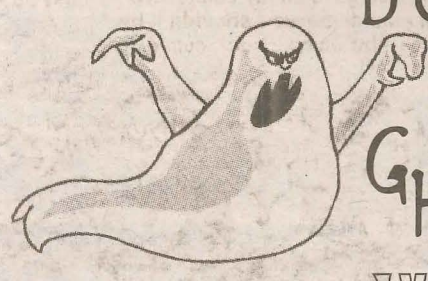
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2	1	421 Wilson Ave #5	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #6	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	1415 4th St. W	$410	$205	$500	$250	Gas Heat/ Garage	D
2	1	619 1/2 13th Ave	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG,HotWater, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1221 1/2 7th St.	$440	$220	n/a	n/a	includes heat, W/S/G, hot water, excellent loc.	D
2	1	113 _ Main St. #3	$470	$235	n/a	n/a	Inc WSG,Trash,n/p Downtown Location	9
2	1	113 _ Main St. #4	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc WSG,Trash,n/p Downtown location	9
2	1	619 13th Ave	$470	$235	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG, Hot Water, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1803 _ 7th St.	$450	$225	$510	$255	Remodeled, Large Apartment/Washer/Dryer	D
2	1	1506 6th St.	$420	$210	$500	$250	Huge Bedrooms, enclosed front porch,	D
2	1	1506 _ 6th St.	$330	$165	$400	$200	Enclosed Front Porch/Great Location	D
2	1	115 W Main St.	$400	$200	$485	$243	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	119 Main St. #2 W	$380	$190	$430	$215	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	915 _ Main St.	$380	$190	$455	$228	Nice Duplex with parking	D
2	1	921 Main St. #2	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	921 Main St. #4	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	1721 1/2 7th Street	$520	$260	n/a	n/a	Inc Utilities/good location/washer/dryer	D
2	1	620 1/2 9th Ave	$500	$250	$615	$308	Large upper apt close to campus	3
2	1	414 1/2 12th Ave	$430	$215	$510	$255	Upstairs apt xlose to campus	D
2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$650	$325	n/a	n/a	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. B	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. C	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	802 6th Ave. #5	$525	$263	n/a	n/a	Util Inc. Great downtown location/parking	6
2	1	802 6th Ave #6	$500	$250	n/a	n/a	All Utilities included Great Location Parking	6
2	1	1310 1/2 Main St.	$550	$275	n/a	n/a	Very Nice Upper Apt/Large	D
2	1	1502 10th St.	$525	$263	$650	$325	House,Garage, Washer Dryer Hook ups	H
2	1	1721 7th Street	$600	$300	n/a	n/a	Inc utilities/good location/large apt	D
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$495	$165	$615	$205	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	1	119 W. Main #3	$525	$175	$625	$208	Close to campus and downtown	3
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$705	$235	Big Kitchen,Close to campus, laundry	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$615	$205	$715	$239	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	921 Main St. #3	$600	$200	$720	$240	Parking andconvenient location	4
3	1	1415 1/2 4th St.W	$600	$200	$720	$240	Gas heat/Garage modern	D
3	1	503 18th Ave.	$625	$209	n/a	n/a	Very nice, Close to campus	D
3	1	503 1/2 18th Ave.	$625	$209	n/a	n/a	Very nice, Close to campus	D
3	1	1310 Main St.	$600	$200	n/a	n/a	Large apartment, parking	D
3	1	1820 8th St.	$800	$267	$920	$307	Great House Available Aug 1, 2004	
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$960	$320	n/a	n/a	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1311 S. Broadway	$495	$165	$615	$205	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
4	1	1808 5th St.	$800	$200	n/a	n/a	Lg rooms, laundry, parking great loc.	H
4	1	1820 8th St. A	$900	$225	$1020	$255	Great Unit, Washer/Dryer, remodeled	H
4	1	1114 7th St.	$1140	$285	n/a	n/a	Great location	H
4	1	1606 10th St.	$580	$145	$760	$190	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1508 10th Street	$620	$155	$770	$193	Close to Lammers / Large Rooms	H
4	1	1809 - 6th St.	$620	$155	$780	$195	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Garage	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$700	$175	$820	$205	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	1	321 13th Ave. W.	$620	$155	$740	$185	Super Location WASHER/DRYER	H
4	1	1115 14th Ave.	$680	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat, garage, lg. Rooms, laundry.	H
4	1	1120 15th Ave.	$600	$150	$760	$190	Very LARGE bedrooms/WashDry hook-up	D
4	1	2235 So Broadway	$850	$213	$1050	$258	Super location/large house/parking, laundry	H
4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
4	1	1215 10th St.	$700	$175	$860	$215	WASHER/DRYER/Gas heat/Storage	H
4	1	921 Main St #1	$740	$185	$860	$215	parking and convenient location	4
4	1	121 12th Ave. W.	$900	$225	$1030	$258	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	1.5	121 1/2 12th Ave.W.	$900	$225	$1000	$250	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	2	1721 7th St.	$1120	$280	n/a	n/a	Includes Util. WASHER/DRYER, Parking	H
4	1	1216 6th St.	$800	$200	$970	$243	new siding across from campus, porch	H
4	2	1319 - 8th St.	$775	$194	$915	$244	Excellent location/parking/ lg. rooms	H
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #1	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #3	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #4	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #5	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #7	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$980	$245	$1130	$283	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1	915 Main St	$780	$195	$910	$228	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$980	$245	$1200	$300	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	2	602 12th Ave.	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, gas heat Wash/Dry	D
4	2	1301 9th Street	$1020	$255	$1200	$300	Beautiful house/garage/ WASH.DRY	D
4	2	1415 8th Street	$1000	$250	$1150	$288	Upgraded recently,great location,parking,W/D	D
4	2	332 1/2 Main St.	$1040	$260	$1170	$293	Huge, W/D, deck, the best 4 br dntwn/parking	H
4	2	1317 8th Street	$1040	$260	$1180	$295	Washer/Dryer, Deck, good location	H
4	2	1021 8th St	$1100	$275	$1275	$319	House with decks/close to campus/wash/dry	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1420	$355	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$1,110	$278	$1310	$328	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$700	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
4	2	1600 10th St.	$850	$213	$1025	$257	Great House, Washer/Dryer Hook-ups	4
2		205 17th Ave W A	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, close to campus	4
5	1	1121 - 6th Ave.	$600	$120	$750	$150	Storage/Gas heat/parking/avail. 7/30/05	H
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	2	203 13 th Ave. W.	$1140	$228	$1300	$260	Great Location, Wash/Dry	H
5	2	1115 17th Ave.	$750	$150	$960	$192	Very large rooms/WashDry hook-up	H
5	1	1320 6th St.	$820	$164	$995	$199	Great location, Wash/Dry	H
5	2.5	902 Main St.	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	Great Location, Large Rooms,Wash/Dry	H
5	2	1403 - 6th St.	$900	$180	$1100	$220	good location/ lots of parking, lg. rooms	H
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	good location, Wash/Dry	D
2		814 10th St	$925	$185	$1125	$225	Large, modern great floor plan, Wash/Dry	D
5	2	1107 2nd St. W.	$1000	$200	$1180	$236	Good Layout / close to campus/ Wash/Dry	H
5	1	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	$1150	$230	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$1000	$200	$1160	$232	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. C	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	1	914 6th Ave.	$1025	$205	n/a	n/a	great house, Parking	H
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #1	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #2	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$900	$180	$1110	$220	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1803 7th St	$1075	$215	$1275	$255	Washer/Dryer/parking/good location	D
5	2	2303 3rd St.	$1025	$205	$1225	$245	Washer-Dryer/ very nice inside/ large rooms	H
5	2	1521 8th St.	$1075	$215	$1250	$250	House / Large Rooms / good location	H
5	2	121 W 13th Ave.	$1175	$235	$1350	$270	Excellent location and condition, Washer/Dryer	D
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1150	$230	$1325	$265	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	1008 6th St.	$1275	$255	$1495	$299	Location/garage/Parking, Wash/Dry	H
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	1708 6th St A	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2	1708 6th St B	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2	321 14th Av W	$1250	$250	$1420	$284	Close to campus,wash/dry,great house	H
5	2.5	1502 - 7th St.	$1050	$175	$1260	$210	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/new siding	H
6	2	1402 - 8th St.	$600	$100	$690	$115	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/good layout	H
6	2	504 10th St.	$9600	$1600	$1160	$194	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/large rooms	H
6	1.5	221 4th St.	$800	$134	$1020	$170	North Campus, gas heat, Wash/dry	D
6	2+	115 _ 17TH Ave W	$1250	$209	$1450	$242	Newer unit, Great Loation, WASHER/DRYER	D
6	2	1714 8th St.	$1230	$205	$1420	$237	Very large, deck, private, high eff gas heat	H
6	2	1602 - 8th St.	$1230	$205	$1420	$237	WASHER/DRYER/Storage/Gas heat	H
6	2	513 9th Ave.	$1280	$214	$1480	$247	Across from HOME EC / LARGE, Wash/Dry	H
6	2	415 - 13th Ave.W.	$1050	$175	$1250	$209	Modern house/very large rooms/good location	H
6	2+	408 18th Ave W.	$1560	$260	$1730	$289	Wonderful,Wash/Dry,close to campus	H
6	2	921 8th St.	$1680	$280	$1880	$314	Beautiful house,Wash/Dry,close to campus	H
6	2+	1415 1/2 8th Street	$1560	$260	$1750	$292	Fabulous new construction, Wash/Dry	D
6	2	115 17th Av W	$1260	$210	$1430	$239	House,Location,wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave C	$1675	$280	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1620	$270	$1840	$307	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave A	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	221 4th St W	$800	$134	$980	$163	North end of campus,Wash/Dry	H
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1400	$200	$1625	$233	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	1321 2nd St. W.	$1575	$225	$1775	$254	Large / 2 living rooms / location	H
7	3	819 7th St.	$1610	$230	$1785	$255	Great location/parking, Wash/Dry	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1575	$225	$1800	$258	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
8	3	1421 S. Broadway	$1840	$230	$2050	$257	One of the best larger houses,Wash/Dry	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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4	2	1506 6th St.	$750	$188	$900	$225	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
6	2	503 18th Ave	$1250	$209	n/a	n/a	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
6	2	1311 S. Broadway	$990	$165	$1230	$265	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
7	3	1803 7th St.	$1515	$217	$1775	$254	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
8	2	1208 8th St.	$1400	$175	$1775	$205	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
8	2+	121 12th Ave W.	$1800	$225	$2020	$253	SEE NOTES IN LISTING ABOVE
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Second place finish

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The Blue Devils' volleyball team just missed the top spot in the conference standings this season. The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater won the top spot in the conference.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout finished second in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

"We are off to a good start this year and plan on pushing our way to the top," said senior Erin Heger.

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville was in second, but the Blue Devils edged out the Pioneers with a win over the University of Wisconsin-Superior.

The Yellowjackets had been on a losing streak, dropping two conference games. The loss brought the team to a closing record of 8-17.

"Our biggest competitor of the year was UW-Platteville," said Heger. When the two faced off, the Blue Devils conquered the Pioneers 3-1.

The Blue Devils have been on a five-game winning streak as of late and hope to keep the pressure on strong.

Every team in the conference has been fighting for a spot in Final Four, which has been the goal from the beginning of the season.

One benefit for UW-Stout is experience. Many of the players have been playing together for awhile and know each other as well as the game.

Every player on the UW-Stout team knows each others' ability to play and helps out with communicating on the court.

"We are always after the top dogs and want to be No.1 in the conference," says Heger.

Five out of the nine teams in the WIAC conference are ranked, which means that the competition was tight as the race to be ranked No.1 came to a close.

"Leadership is the one thing that is working well for us this season," said Heger.

With six seniors to run the team this season, the Blue Devils have no shortage of leadership.

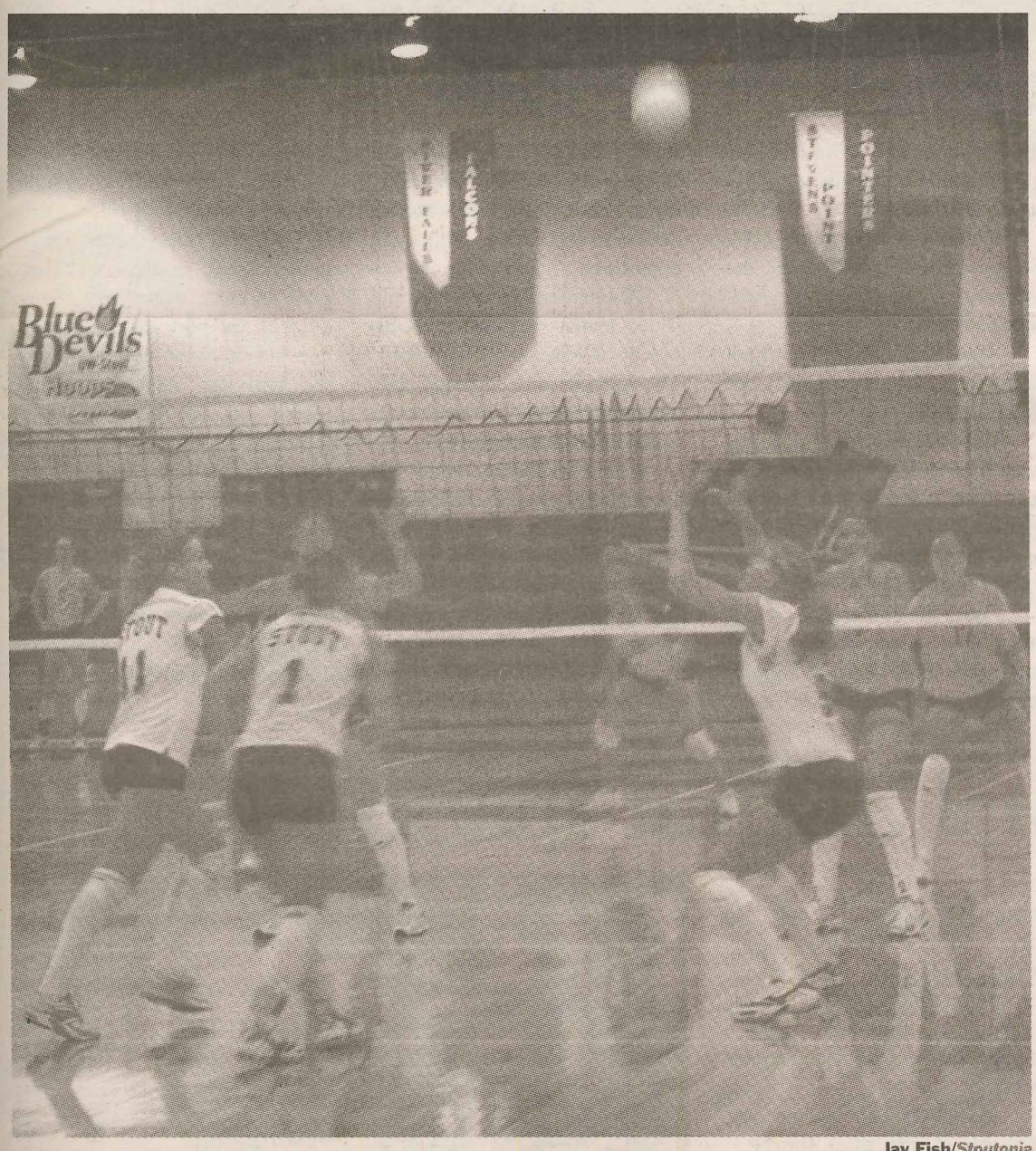
However, the large amount of veterans means, for many players, this is their last season for the Blue Devils.

Erin Heger, Lindsay Mensink, Brooke Viegut and Scooter Aspen are all seniors who are looking to make their last season as a Blue Devil one to remember.

"All of us are not going down without a fight," said Heger.

The number of new faces that accompany the team this year have had the benefit of seeing senior leadership. Freshmen such as Linda Meyer, Jenna Welsh and Casey Huntoon have rounded out a squad that has a mix of veterans and rookies.

The Blue Devils will be hosting the UW-Stout tournament this weekend.



Jay Fish/*Stoutonia*

The UW-Stout volleyball team has had a successful season thus far. Most of the success can be attributed to its players having veteran experience and knowing each others abilities.

Stout CC progressing

By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

If you are feeling the need for speed, the men's and women's cross country teams are most likely teams worth following. Both teams have been progressively getting better with every meet.

Looking at the women's cross country, this season has been full of top finishes.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout women's cross country team finished fifth of 20 at the St. Olaf Meet, second out of six at the St. Mary's Invitational and second of 16 at the Beloit College Old English Classic.

Many factors have contributed to the success of the women's team.

"We have had a great group at the front this year led by Kersten Wilson and Stephanie Nichols," said head coach Joe Harlan. "Two freshmen, Abbey Ring and Bridgette Crozier, right behind them. We had only a nine second gap from number one to number four in our last race, our closest front group ever. This should bode very well for us in our big races."

Perhaps the one surprise on this Blue Devil team has been the success of freshmen runners.

"It's going well, and we're all having fun, and we're looking forward to upcoming conference and regional meets," said Harlan.

With solid senior veterans and an upcoming talent, the women's team seems to have good balance this season.

"I am very pleased with the progress of our team this year. In our last race (at Beloit) we were second out of 16 schools and ran very well as a group. We probably have our best overall team I've seen, and they get a little better each week," said Harlan. "I'm excited to see how many spots we can move up at our regional championships."

The men's team has also been leading many packs this season.

The men finished fourth of 11 at the St. Olaf Meet, third of five at the St. Mary's Invitational, 14th of 23 at the NCAA Division III Pre Nationals and second of 16 in the Beloit College Old English Classic.

"Our top five runners have been pretty steady all year. Nate Haeny has been our race leader and the team's top performer in all of the meets this year. Senior captain Ryan Chernik has seen the rewards of a good summer training program and a great fall season and is our solid number two runner," said head coach Josh Buchholtz. "John Ullrich, Brett Heimstead, Nate Lynch, John Maresh, Mike Heinen and Jim Trudeau have all been productive and have the potential to break into the top five positions in any race."

The men's team also has a solid mix of young and veteran talent, with sophmore being their top runner.

"So far I believe that as a team we haven't run our best races, yet. I'm sure that at conference we will step up and run very well," said John Ullrich. "Coach Buchholtz has been working us pretty hard, and I think that with a couple of easy weeks, we will get our legs under us again."

The team is now looking at the Lake Wissota Invitational.

"Lake Wissota is an excellent tune-up meet before conference. It will be a nice, short three mile race that we will use as a workout to gear up for conference," said Buchholtz. "We have a very young team that is starting to pick up a little confidence. I feel that their best performances are yet to come, which is good."

Bucholtz also commented on how he is hoping the team will peak at the WIAC championships.

"The team has been improving with the experience of more races," said Ryan Chernik. "Times have been a little slow early on, but we will see huge improvement as we taper the workouts for these last couple of meets and hit some real fast race courses."

The cross country teams will be in action on Oct. 22 when both teams participate in the Lake Wissota Invitational.

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Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

When Kelly Stolarczyk scored her 14th goal of the season, she put herself in the record books.

Stolarczyk is tied with-Shannon Hermes, Nellie Sivertsen and Alyssa Halverson for the school single season goal record.

The goal came against the University of Wisconsin-River Falls early in the second half.

On the season, she also has 10 assists and 38 points. In 14 starts, she led the team in scoring and points.

Shannon Hermes and Michelle Lizotte are not far behind Stolarczyk in scoring. Both have 11 goals on the season.

With three games left in the regular season, Stolarczyk's chances of being alone at the top of the books is still likely.

The Facts:
Junior
Elk River, Minn.
Food Systems and Technology

Tied the school single season goal record with a goal against UW-River Falls

Kelly Stolarczyk
Soccer

SPORTS

Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(3-2)

The football team lost 23-7 against Stevens Point on Oct. 16

Next Game:
Oct. 23 at River Falls

Standings
1. Whitewater
2. Eau Claire
3. La Crosse
4. Oshkosh
5. Platteville
6. Stout
7. Stevens Point
8. River Falls

Cross Country
Beloit Old English Classic:
Men: 2nd Women: 2nd
Next Meet:
Oct. 22 at Lake Wissota Invitational

Tennis
(4-10)

The tennis team lost against La Crosse 9-0
Next Match:
Oct. 23-24 at the WIAC Championships

Soccer
(12-1-1)

The soccer team won 4-1 against River Falls

Next Match:
Oct. 21 hosting St. Thomas

Volleyball
(19-4)

The volleyball team defeated Superior 3-0

Next Match:
Oct. 20 at Superior

Standings
1. Whitewater
2. Stout
3. Platteville
4. La Crosse
5. River Falls
6. Eau Claire
7. Oshkosh
8. Stevens Point
9. Superior

Shaking off the losing skid

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

The Blue Devil football team was defeated by UW-Stevens Point 23-7. UW-Stout hopes to put a stop to a two game losing streak when the team goes to UW-River Falls on Oct. 23.

The hopes of a Homecoming win were dashed this weekend as the Blue Devil football squad was upended by the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point 23-7.

The cold wind and clouds did not stop the large gathering of students, alumni and fans who crowded into Williams Stadium before kickoff.

The Blue Devils started the game strong on defense, stopping the Pointers on the opening drive, but a missed field goal by the Blue Devils kept the score at zero.

The Pointers drove the ball on the next drive to the UW-Stout three yard line when the Blue Devils finally bowed their backs and stopped the Pointers on downs.

In the second quarter, the tide began to turn on the Blue Devils. The University of Wisconsin-Stout started with the ball and began to mount a drive. With the ball at the Pointers 34 yard-line, quarterback Nick Ohman fumbled a snap, scooped up the ball, but then threw an interception which went over 70 yards the other way for a score.

After halftime, the Pointers struck early and quickly by starting on their own 35-yard line and getting to the end zone in just five plays.

In the fourth quarter, the Blue Devils got off the goose egg starting with a 65-yard pass play to John Henry Freeman. The Blue Devils finished the drive with a five-yard touchdown pass to Jesse Wendt.

For the day, the Blue Devils had 406 total yards, 236 on the ground. The Pointers outgained the Blue Devils with 446 total yards.

Coming into the game, UW-Stevens Point was 0-2 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

The Pointers' win ties them with the Blue Devils in the WIAC at 1-2.

With the race for the conference title underway, none of the teams can afford to lose too many games. Every team in the WIAC has at least one loss, and the race for the conference is wide open.

"With the conference so balanced year in and year out, you can never take anyone lightly, regardless of who you are," said tailback Ryan Englebert. "If you don't come out ready to play each Saturday, it will be hard to come away with a win regardless."

The upcoming game for the Blue Devils is against the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. The Falcons are currently 1-5, but nobody on the Blue Devils squad takes them lightly.

"This conference is so balanced that if you play a bad game you are going to get beat," said head coach Tom Strop. "With that in mind you have to prepare and take the season one game at a time."

The Falcons are 1-2 in the conference and will want to get a victory out of the Blue Devils who have dropped two straight games.

"It will be another tough game," said Englebert. "They play us close every year, however, if we play our game and execute the way we know how, we will end this two game losing skid."

Last season UW-Stout defeated the Falcons 21-13. Strop and the Blue Devils will be looking for a strong game to get past the Falcons.

"The biggest thing is to attack this season one game at a time," said Strop. "We will continue to get better and be just fine."

First annual 5K run sparks interest

By Amy Stoegbauger
Sports Writer

The UW-Stout running club and University Recreation co-sponsored the first Blue Devil 5K (3.1mile) Run/Walk on the frigid Saturday morning of Homecoming. The race was partnered with Mardi Gras Café and the Westconsin Credit Union.

UW-Stout and The Menomonie police departments secured the course and helped racers at intersections.

The race started shortly after 9:30 a.m. from the cul-da-sac behind the Sports & Fitness Center, with a temperature of 36 degrees outside. The course wandered along the scenic Red Cedar River and Lake Menomin and ended with a run through campus back to the start line.

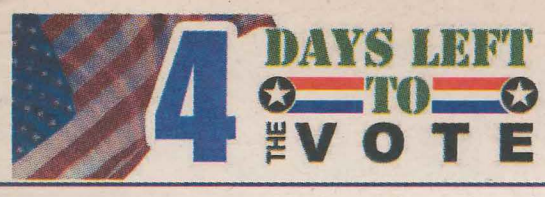
Despite the cold weather and the early morning of Homecoming, over 70 people pre-registered for the race, and a few more registered the day of the race, with 80 people finishing in several categories. Members of the running club and University Recreation employees volunteered their time to make the race possible.

"The weather started out snowing shortly after the race started but soon turned to sunshine," said Jeff Keenan, co-director of the race and the running club president. "At the moment the sun came out, I knew the race was going to be a success. It could not have been a success without the great teamwork demonstrated by University Recreation and the UW-Stout running club."

The running club is in its second year as a recognized student organization. If you would like more information about the club, please visit their website at: http://www.running.uwstout.edu.

Photo Courtesy of University Recreation

The first annual 5k run took place on homecoming weekend. The UW-Stout running club sponsored the even.



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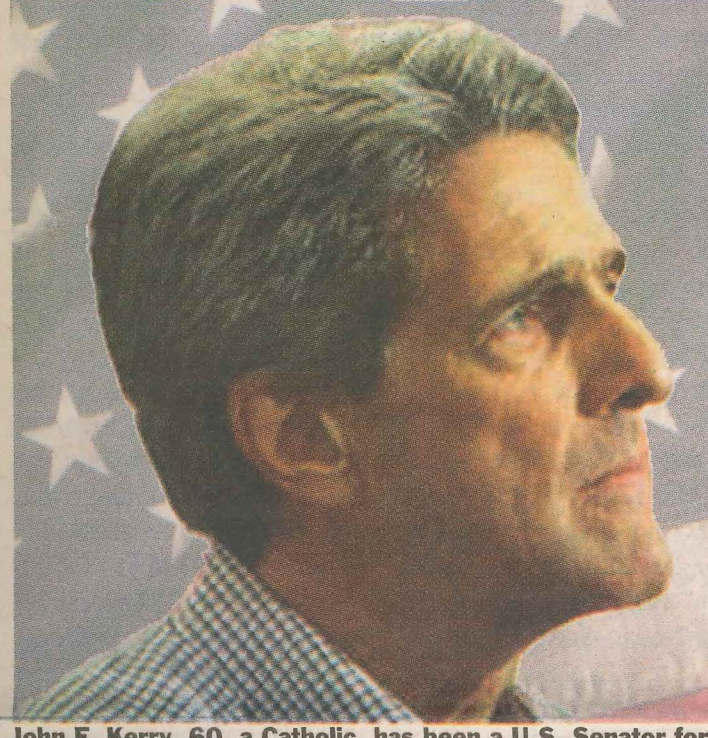

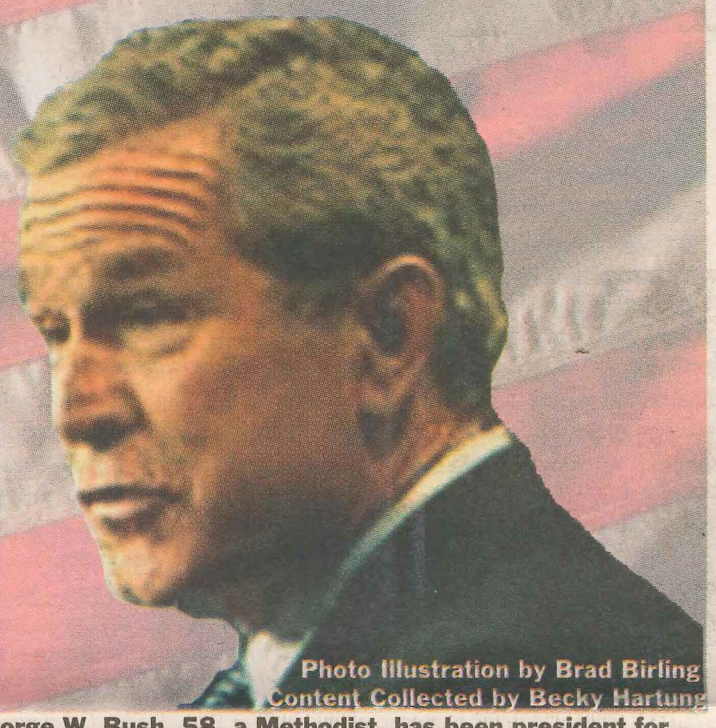

IT IS YOUR CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY TO VOTE, AND IT IS OUR CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY TO HELP PROVIDE THE TOOLS TO HELP YOU MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION.

THE FOLLOWING CHART CONTAINS INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL DEBATES, CANDIDATE WEB SITES AND A CIVIC AWARENESS RESEARCH PROJECT BY CHARLES BOMAR'S STUDENTS.

"STUDENTS TEND TO MAKE DECISIONS BASED ON ASSUMPTIONS, LACK OF UNDERSTANDING AND PARENTAL VALUES," SAID BOMAR. "THEY NEED TO DELVE INTO THE HEART OF THE ISSUES."

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John F. Kerry, 60, a Catholic, has been a U.S. Senator for twenty years and a Lieutenant Governor for two years.		George W. Bush, 58, a Methodist, has been president for the last four years and Texas governor for six years.
Against partial birth abortion, but there are exceptions. Voted no on banning partial birth abortions. Voted no on criminal punishment for harming an unborn fetus during another crime.	**Abortion**	Signed a ban on partial birth abortions and defends stance in court. Signed "Born Alive Infants Protection Act." Has nominated pro-life judges to federal court positions.
Can provide $13 billion over 10 years for tuition assistance by forcing banks to compete for student loans; promises to pay full college tuition for all students completing two full years of community service - including military service and the peace corps.	**Education-College**	Increase student financial aid for college students by 55% since 2001. Total of $73 billion in financial aid and $12.9 billion in Pell Grants. Easier to transfer credits and increase AmeriCorps education awards.
Give every American access to the same coverage the president and Congress have. Roll back Bush tax cuts to cover health care costs. Wants to pass a Patient's Bill of Rights.	**Health Care**	Established new, tax-free Health Savings Accounts for Americans to control own accounts. Open and expand rural health centers. Wants liability reform so premiums don't skyrocket from frivolous law suits.
Homosexuality is not a choice. Marriage should only be between a man and woman. The states should decide how to handle gay rights.	**Homosexuality**	Doesn't know if homosexuality is a choice. Stresses the importance of tolerance. Marriage is sacred and should only be between a man and woman. Attempted a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage.
Give rural America access to high-quality education and health care. Stronger judicial and prison system in rural areas. Need middle class tax cuts and more rural jobs.	**Rural Economy**	First term: saved 500,00 jobs and invested $37 billion in development. Plans to: Support energy laws to increase net farm income $2 to 4 billion a year by 2012. Extend loans so 42,800 rural families have the chance to own a house. $10 million to improve IT systems.
Would allow scientists full exploration. Overturn ban on federal funding on stem cell research. Opposes reproductive cloning but protects theraputic cloning as long as embryos develop for less than fourteen days. Support from National Multiple Sclerosis Society and Nancy Reagan.	**Stem Cell Research**	Supports scientific advancements, but seeks middle ground between science and ethics. First president to provide $ for human embryonic stem cell research. Opposes government funding because embryos are being killed. Didn't ban cloning, but thinks human cloning is morally wrong. Support from Planned Parenthood and Catholics for Bush.
Considered the environmentally friendly candidate	**Environment**	Concerned about environment, but considers impact on economy

New Program for Freshmen

By Crystal Miller
News Writer

In fall of 2005, the University of Wisconsin-Stout will begin testing a First Year Experience program, which aims to enhance the educational experience of first year students by creating a center nucleus of living and learning conditions. Incoming freshmen will have block scheduling, additional resources within residence halls and be assigned to a residence hall on South Campus only.

With block scheduling, most of the incoming students will have classes together. Thus, certain faculty members and academic advisors can provide community study sessions, workshops and other initiatives in residence hall basements. The university will also be creating new offices for advisors in AF, CKTO, HKMC and South Hall to provide students with additional helpful resources. This program will require all incoming freshman students to live on South Campus, which will then move most

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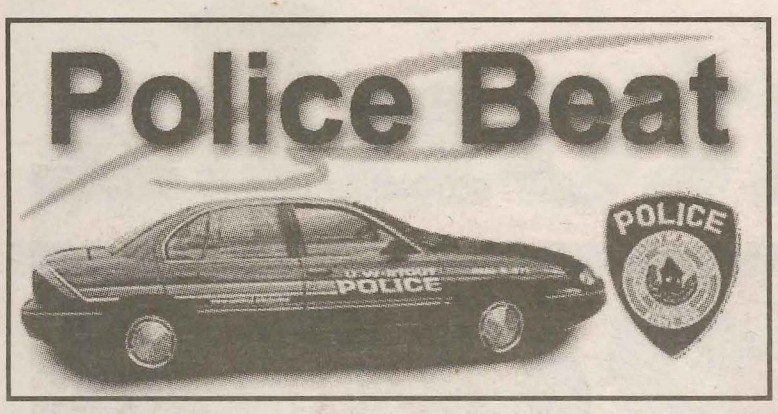
High 66
Low 45

Saturday
Few Showers
High 53
Low 37

Sunday
Partly cloudy
High 58
Low 41



By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Oct. 19 to Oct. 26
First offense underage drinking: 1
Second offense underage drinking: 1
Disorderly conduct: 1

Musical chairs
A police officer stopped two pedestrians walking southbound on 3rd St. at 10th Ave. on Oct. 20. One pedestrian was carrying a green chair on his back. The officer found this suspicious and asked where he had gotten it. The male replied that he had found it on 10th Ave. just outside of North Hall. The male said he assumed it was abandoned property and took it. The officer looked at the chair and found a "Property of UW-Stout" sticker on it. The officer confiscated the chair and returned it to North Hall.

Body work needed
A Resident Advisor in Antrim Hall called police on Oct. 22 regarding damage to his truck, parked in UW-Stout parking lot 34. The truck was keyed sometime between the evening of Oct. 20 and the afternoon of Oct. 22. The scratch was about 20 inches long on the left side behind the rear wheel well. The student said he didn't know who would have caused the damage.

Stop following me!
A building manager called police regarding suspicious behavior of a male in the Memorial Student Center on Oct. 22. The building manager said that the male had been on the computer in the corridor near her office. As she began the lock-up procedure, the male began following her around and staring at her through the window to the building manager office area. There was no physical or verbal contact; however, the building manager feared for her safety. When police arrived, the male was at the computer again and was asked to leave. He left silently and willingly. The business manager asked the officer to accompany her on her lock-up, as it was a habit of the particular male to leave through one door and re-enter through another. The male was not found in the student center during the remainder of the lock-up.

You like school too much
On Oct. 25, a staff member of the Physical Plant notified police that someone had attempted to break into Harvey Hall. Police arrived and saw that someone had tried to pry off the boards from an old second story double stage door. The door faces the alley on the north side of Harvey Hall. In addition to trying to pry the door, a partial wall was also pushed in. Police do not believe entrance was gained. The Physical Plant staff member attempted to secure the building with a sheet of plywood for the time being until a decision was made about repairing the doors or permanently sealing them.

NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

"Fahrenheit 9/11" and "FahrenHYPE 9/11" will be showing on Nov. 1, 2004 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. – 9:40 p.m. respectively in 210 Applied Arts. These movies are not funded by taxpayers.

Phillips Plastics Corp. will be featured at the October Tech-talk Business Briefing, held at UW-Stout on Oct. 29 in 201 Millennium Hall. Phillips' general manager will discuss learning, teaching and research opportunities. This is the second in a series of free, monthly presentations by local businesses.

UW-Stout will be offering a certificate and minor in gaming management. This is the only 4-year university in the Midwest to offer a major in casino management. A strong, positive response has been received, particularly from Native American tribes.

The government released a report saying men and women ages 20-74 have gained one inch and 25 pounds since the early 1960s. Average male weight has jumped from 166.3 to 191 pounds; female average weight has changed from 140.2 to 164.3 pounds. The average male height has grown from 5 feet 8 inches to 5 feet 9.5 inches. The average woman has increased from 5 feet 3 inches to 5 feet 4 inches.

Scientists working in Indonesia have discovered the remains of a hobbit-sized human species. One adult female found was 3 feet tall and 18,000 years old.

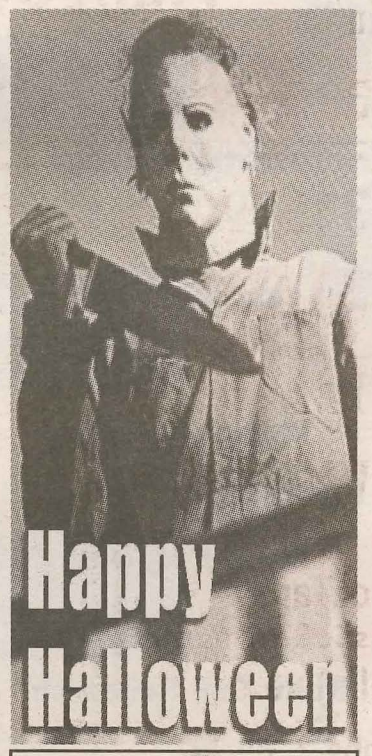
Jazz trio, The Bad Plus, will be performing in the Great Hall of the Memorial Student Center at 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 12. Cost for this event is $5 for Stout students and $10 for the general public. Tickets can be purchased at the Student Center Service Desk or by phone at 715-232-1122.

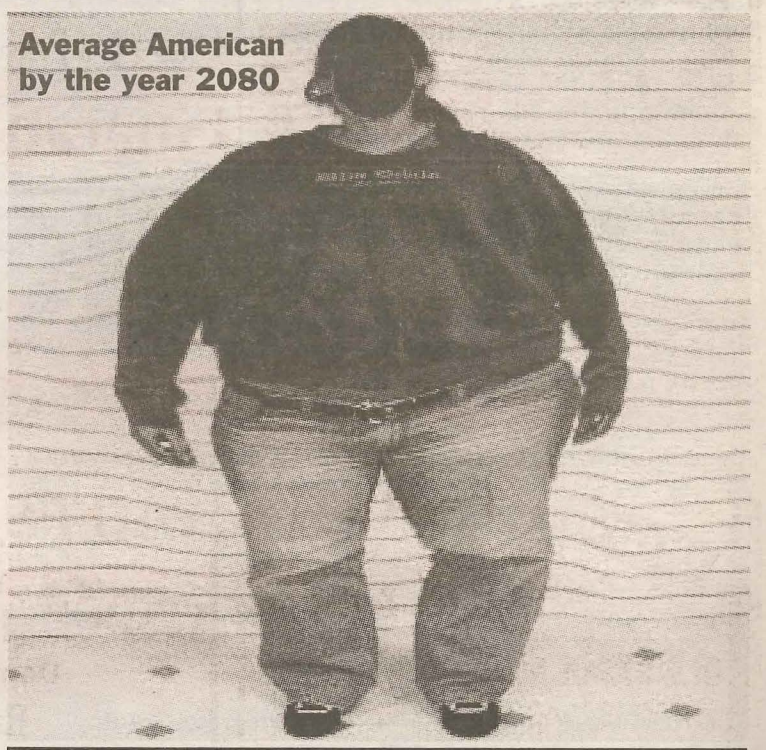
Notice From The Menomonie Police Department

Special parking restrictions are necessary to facilitate the removal of snow during the winter months. The odd-even calendar parking restrictions applies to all streets in the City of Menomonie except where otherwise restricted, such as "No Parking Anytime."

Beginning November 1, and ending April 1, between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 7:00 A.M., motorists must park on the odd numbered side of the street on odd numbered calendar days and on even numbered days on the even numbered side of the street.

Parking on the even side on odd days or on odd side on even days is prohibited. The easiest way to remember this ordinance is to always park your vehicle for the next day. Remember, also, that the south side of the avenues and east side of the streets are even numbered, and the north side of the avenues and the west side of the streets are odd numbered.





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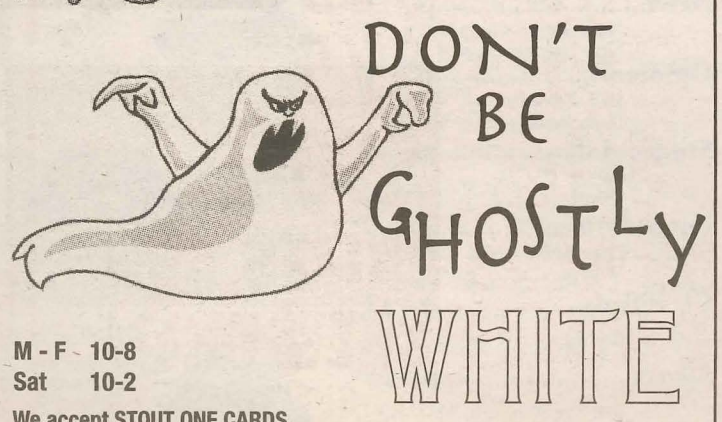

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upperclassmen to North Campus. However, some upperclassmen and students with disabilities will still be allowed to live in North Hall.

"I think it will provide an opportunity for freshman to get to know each other better and do better academically," said Mike Wiese, a junior in construction management.

According to Martin Fritz, assistant director of Housing and Residence Life, the university is still working out specific details in many areas, but these should be finalized later this week.

Some of the proposed changes include staffing adjustments on South Campus. Residence halls such as HKMC will be split in two. For example, HK will be one residence hall, and MC will be another. Therefore, there will be two residence hall directors in HKMC. There will also be one academic advisor per hall, eight resident advisors, four student/peer academic mentors and four to eight fast-track faculty members.

Some programs each residence hall will offer include academic advising, peer advising, block scheduling, study sessions, fast-track faculty program, academic support programs, parent connection, "take a teacher to lunch" and "adopt a floor."

Housing and Residence Life lays out some advantages as well as disadvantages for the new program. Some of the plusses include taking an aggressive approach to helping students succeed, improving the college experience, getting faculty involved in different ways, increasing retention and attracting additional students.

On the negative side, it may be difficult to attract upperclassmen to North Campus, and some incoming students may not be happy with the arrangements.

"I think from an RA's point of view, having all the freshman living on South Campus will lessen the amount of diversity for the students, and it will be just like high school," said Katie Thiel, a sophomore in technical communications. "In some cases, it will make the job harder. Yeah, it is a good idea, because they want to create the first year experience, but I lived in a freshmen dorm, and I felt like I was still in high school."

Although many soon-to-be sophomores and RA's will be affected by the change, the administration believes this will have a positive outcome.

"For incoming freshmen our goal and what we will achieve is to help students adjust to making the transition from being high school students to college students," said Scott Griesbach, director of Housing and Residence Life.

Another goal for the housing changes of 2005 is to create an upperclassmen living community on North Campus. Housing and Residence Life is in the process of making changes to the North Campus halls in order to meet the needs of older students.

Fleming, Hovlid and Wigen Hall will have a mixture of double and single rooms on each floor, while JTC will have singles. Fleming will also add kitchen areas to the floor lounges. Hovlid Hall plans to install a whirlpool/hot tub for all North campus residents to use. JTC will continue to have the sauna. Wigen and JTC plan to scatter male and female rooms throughout parts of the buildings because of the male and female bathrooms on each floor. These changes, among others, would be made to help upperclassmen feel more independent.

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Why do we exist? (Hint: Cause)

Staff Editorial
as written by Curt Trnka

Why do we exist?

That's some pretty heavy subject matter that makes your gray matter hurt if you think about it too long.

However, that is not what we mean by 'why do we exist.' Instead, we would like to tell our readers why we, *The Stoutonia*, are here.

Lately, a number of our staff have been hearing complaints from students that the student newspaper is not doing our jobs right or just plain sucking at them.

This is not the case. Each week we do our best to bring you campus news and events, as well as information and entertainment that pertains to our readers.

We here at the paper are an easygoing bunch; it takes a lot to get us down. So please don't think that we are complaining about our jobs. We are all glad to have a job on campus that is fun, a great experience and even pays a bit of money.

We are here to protect and serve. We tell you not to eat at the random food places that have food poisoning problems, and we print the movie listings every week.

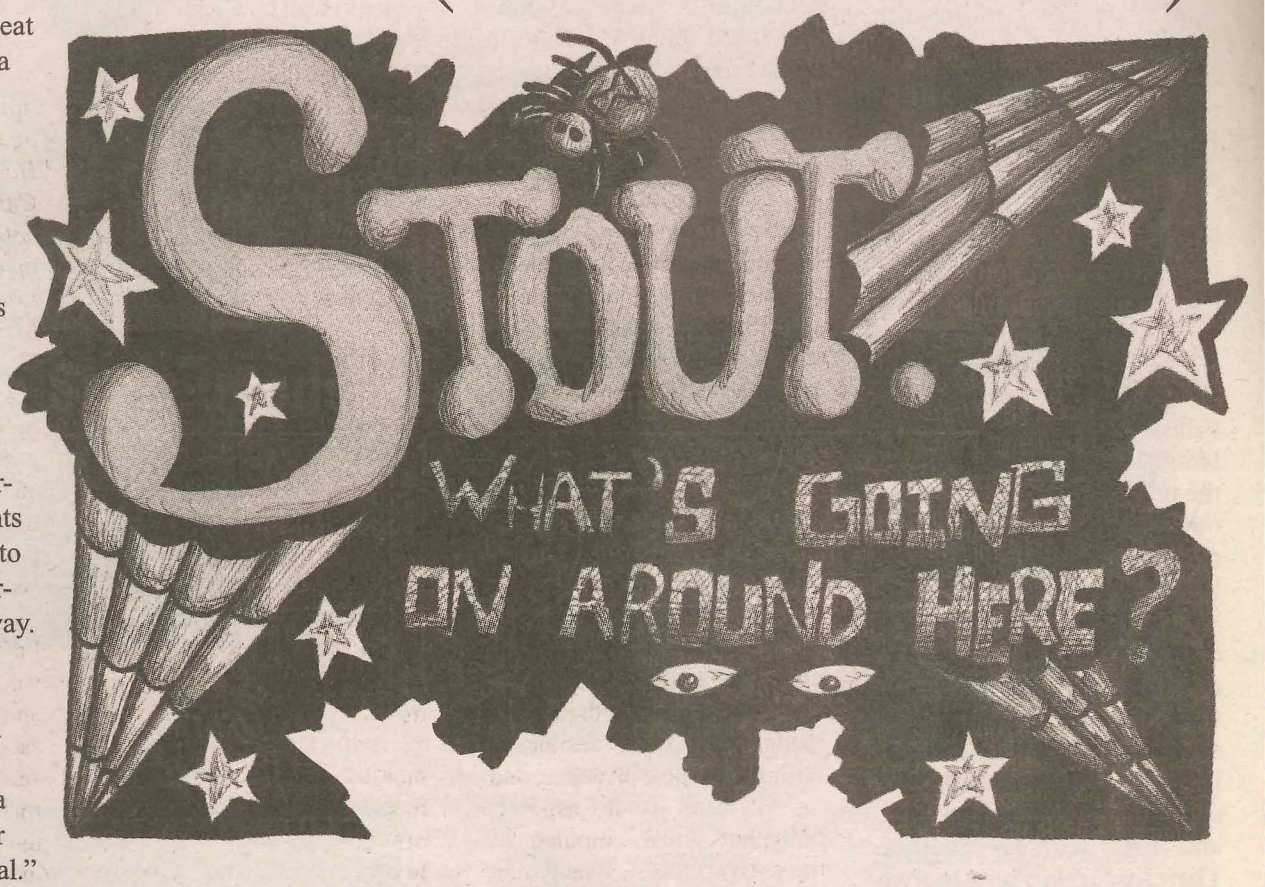
So, the moral of this editorial is that we enjoy putting the news together for you. Please try to understand that we are all students who put in time and effort to deliver the news in an interesting and well designed way.

Speaking of design, at the beginning of the new school year, we unveiled a new design for the paper.

Recently, we received a letter to the editor about our mispelling of the word "feral."

Nice catch, but is slipping up on the spelling of a rarely used word more noticeable than the redesign of the entire student newspaper?

Other letters have told us we print too many liberal opinions pieces. Maybe so, but since we are always hiring new writers, why don't some conservative students come down to our office and grab an application? We probably aren't going to turn people away. We enjoy having as many different opinions on staff as possible.



Odds are, if you are still reading this, you are a fan of ours, or newspapers in general. Thank you.

Hopefully it shows that we put our best effort into each issue of the paper. We try to come up with the best stories and layout for both the campus, and the surounding area, but as a weekly newspaper on a campus without a journalism major, it is hard to even approach the quality of a metro area paper.

Currently, we have about 70 students on staff. Trying to cover a campus of almost 8,000 with a staff of 70 is a duanting task.

Not all of our staff is designated for reporting the news either. We have people who deal with advertising, layout and distribution the final newspaper.

All of us enjoy our work, that's why we do it. We hope you enjoy it too.

Oh, and by the way, Happy Halloween.

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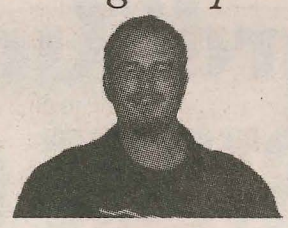
Freedom of Speech suffers a blow from poetry

We all get depressed sometimes. Anyone saying we can't express ourselves is wrong



Joe Spraggon
Columnist

Can you hear them, the sirens blaring about two blocks away? They are closing in fast. Now you can see what is causing the noise pollution.

A great salamander rumbles down the road with men hanging off the sides. On the backs of the men are hoses with liquid flame dripping from them.

Yes, I know this is very melodramatic. A colorful analogy ripped from the pages of Fahrenheit 451 for a boy in Humboldt Senior High School in St. Paul. Who, according to the Oct. 18 online edition of the Pioneer Press, was arrested the previous Thursday for writing dark poetry.

The poetry in question supposedly refers to suicide, other students' deaths and a gun. Imagine that. Wow, a teenager writing poetry about being depressed. I would be curious to know how many of us would have had similar thoughts at that age.

I know I did; my artwork at that time was very dark. People and body parts impaled on stakes, other figures represented were holding guns in depressed posture.

Many of my friends have had similar experiences for dealing with their hormone-crazed feelings during that time.

Poetry, short stories, drawing, painting and many other types of activities are our outlets. These are the ways in which people can relieve their frustrations without having them build to the point of bringing a gun to school.

> *"Hey, don't forget about Marilyn Manson; he's one-what word do the kids use?- 'bad mama-jamma.'"*

Instead, students, such as the individual I mentioned, fire round after round of ink ammunition. Seems to me this student was making a more responsible choice by not actually shooting somebody.

There is an alternative view to this situation I suppose. That these poems were only the first step toward actual violence.

This was a planning stage that could eventually lead towards chaos on a massive scale. He should be feared. Lock him up; toss away the key.

Yes, I know, more melodrama.

The fact is that this student had no previous record of violent behavior. In the words of Roger Waters, he was "caught red-handed showing feelings, showing feelings of an almost human nature."

I have no idea when it happened; I missed the memo, but it seems as if society is afraid of its emotions. Or at least any of those that could be described as "negative."

It seems to me as if he is being punished for dealing in a creative manner with experiences that we all go through. What does this action say? What message does this send?

Be careful; stay in line because the agents are about. The men in black will come for you. Don't use your gift; don't put anything down on paper it could be used against you. Tie your laces and make sure to wash behind your ears.

Perhaps this is only one of many indicators? To me this signals fear, fear of the young.

I can hear stereotypical adult voices saying:

"What could this kid have done? He might have done something bad, you know how kids are these days, all those video games and violent movies."

"Hey, don't forget about Marilyn Manson; he's one-what word do the kids use?- bad 'mama-jamma.'"

"Yes, I know. He should be spanked. Why can't they all just listen to Britney Spears? She's such a nice girl."

Perhaps a new generation gap is coming? The air certainly smells of it; hushed rumors of a draft, a big messy war, a divided nation and kids being arrested for "dark" poetry. Where have we seen this before?

Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Plouff still hard at work

In the latest edition of The Stoutonia (10/21/2004) you featured an article about Senator Feingold's visit to the campus.

In that article you referred to Joe Plouff as a "former state representative for Wisconsin," lucky for us though, Joe is not a "former" state representative, he is our current state representative. During the last four years I've had the opportunity to get to know Joe, as a student as well as the Student Body President. I can say without a doubt that Joe has always, and will always have our best interests in mind. Joe Plouff has not only consistently supported students and education verbally, he has voted with us too!

Joe has defended Reciprocity, he's worked to keep tuition affordable, he's voted to force financial aid to rise with the rate of tuition, he's fighting right now to protect the UW System from further budget cuts, and if you want something more personal, well just remember he graduated from Stout too, so he had his share of our "favorite pastime." Beyond education, Joe works to protect and preserve our environment, he's consistently supported our troops, he's fiscally responsible with the state budget, he believes healthcare is a right – not a privilege, and he volunteers locally inspiring others in the community to make a difference on issues ranging from restoring the Red Cedar to Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence.

If you're looking for the "real thing" this election cycle, someone you can believe in as a real person, with a real commitment to the people they represent – Joe Plouff is that person. That is why on Tuesday, November 2 I'm going to support State Representative Joe Plouff.

Sincerely,

David A. Hay
UW-Stout Student
Student Body President
('03-'04)

Do not vote twice

I have recently heard rumors that some Stout students are considering "voting twice" in the upcoming elections on November 2, by registering and voting here in Menomonie and also registering and voting in the area of their home or permanent residence.

I very much hope these rumors are untrue, because doing this is a very serious criminal offense and is punished severely when it is detected. Anyone who is thinking of doing this should read the following quote from television channel 13 in Eau Claire, dated September 13, 2004.

UW-Eau Claire Student Released From Jail

Michael Howard is out of jail on a $1,000 signature bond. According to the criminal complaint, he voted in the April 6th election with election with Appleton absentee ballot and again in person in Eau Claire. He appeared in Outagamie County Court last week. If convicted, Howard could face up to 42 months in prison, extended supervision, and a $10,000 fine."

Election fraud is not humorous in any way. It is not part of the "light-hearted give and take" of American politics. It is a serious crime and is punished as such by federal and state law.

As a teacher at UW-Stout I am very concerned with the welfare of all of our students, and I would be deeply, deeply saddened to see any of them serve a penitentiary sentence for a crime committed in a moment of disastrously bad judgment.

Sincerely yours,

Hugh Williamson,
UW-Stout Professor

Voting for Bush. Voting for life.

Rebecca Hartung
Columnist

I would be thrilled if you voted this Tuesday, but I would be even happier if you voted for George Bush. A vote for Bush is a vote to protect innocent lives.

On a basic level, Bush is pro life. He opposes government funding for embryonic stem cell research because embryos are being killed. In the past, his federal judge appointees have been pro life.

Experts believe three Supreme Court justices will either retire or pass on within the next president's term. The president nominates their replacements, so it is important that someone with strong moral and ethical convictions is in office when this happens. Let's stop protecting the female's right to screw…up.

On a more complex level, a vote for Bush is a vote to keep the war on terror fought overseas, not here. Kerry, like the democrats before him, favors talking about our problems. Yes, he will act, but his action will be a reaction, after more innocent Americans are killed in acts of terror.

Examine the Cold War crisis; our citizens lived in constant fear of our enemy's nuclear weapons. It ended when Reagan took office, cut the small talk and did something.

True, we haven't found full-fledged weapons of mass destruction, but if Iraq didn't have the tools and the intent, then why is Kerry's Web site up in arms about the missing engines once under the watchful eye of United Nations inspectors?

Just out of curiosity, if the world's largest superpower let you know two months in advance it was going to invade your country to look for weapons of mass destruction, wouldn't you do a thorough cover up?

It's been said that because Bush lied, he is a horrible, scary person to have in office. Reality check: even Kerry supported the war on Iraq when he was presented the same evidence Bush had.

Even if you disagree, and insist that Bush knew the truth and lied, I further challenge the assumption that this makes him bad. On the contrary, it makes him strong. Presidents are supposed to take matters into their own hands in times of war.

Most people would consider Abe Lincoln a strong president because he led the country through the Civil War. Yet, he actually provoked the South to fire on Fort Sumter to begin the Civil War, after promising to avoid war in his first inaugural address.

To win the war, he assumed the power to emancipate the slaves without congressional approval and he denied writs of habeas corpus.

The U.S. was attacked. There is too much intolerance to prevent a repeat, but a vote for Bush will postpone the 'when.' Huff and puff about right and wrong, but don't come crying later.

In times of war, presidents need to make big decisions!

Crusading for Christ for a weekend

Crystal Miller
Columnist

Each year the University of Wisconsin-Stout's Campus Crusade for Christ teams up with three other Wisconsin University ministries to have a fall retreat. On Friday, Oct. 24, the UW-Eau Claire, UW-Barron and Northland College groups joined UW-Stout in Chetek, Wis. for the event.

Over 150 students attended the Luther Park Bible Camp Friday through Sunday afternoon this past weekend. Although those who generally go are students involved with Crusade on the aforementioned campuses, all students from around the area are welcome to come and have a good time.

The cost was only $59.00, and if you were attending for the first time, you got a discount. There are also scholarships for those who cannot come up with the money in time. The price includes three meals per day, a heated cabin and the seminar.

The annual retreat is entitled "Fall Getaway" to signify a time to get off campus in the autumn to relax, meet new people and also to be challenged in one's relationship with God.

There are many opportunities to meet new people, not only from UW-Stout, but from three other campuses, as well as listening to challenging speakers and of course, times for praise and worship.

Other than learning more about being in a relationship with God and worshiping, there are many other fun events, such as the annual 'Stout v. Eau Claire' football game, games, hot cider, cocoa and a warm fireplace to curl up next to for chats.

Fall retreat is just one of the events that goes on each year for Crusade. There is also Twin Cities Xperience, which is held Dec. 28 through Jan. 1 in Minneapolis Minn. at the Hilton. For more information, www.tc-xperience.com.

Another trip sponsored by Campus Crusade is a spring break trip called "Big Break," located in Panama Beach.

"My Vote"

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

I am as sick of the upcoming election as much as the next person. It's in every conversation, every article, on every corner, in every advertisement you see.

I don't care for either party or really either of the candidates, yet there is one truth I hope everybody sees and hears above the political propaganda and media frenzy.

I have a future.

I am not going to vote on Nov. 2 because I have no dreams. Dreaming is stupid. People who dream are simply too afraid of reality. Dreams are forgotten; they have no meaning.

I am not going to vote on Nov. 2 because I have no hope. Hope is for people who are delusional. Hope is for those who believe there is a better life waiting for them. Hope is for people who believe they can change things.

I am not going to vote on Nov. 2 because I have no ambition. Ambition is for fools. Ambition is for those who are dumb enough to think they can be someone. Ambition is for those with goals. Ambition is a word we use to make ourselves feel like we are able to move forward in life.

I am not going to vote on Nov. 2 because I have no faith. How can one believe in something they can not see, touch or prove? Faith is for gullible people. Faith exists because people are unable to live their lives on their own two feet, so they must believe in the imaginary.

I am not going to vote on Nov. 2 because I have no opinion. Opinions are for people who are rude and pushy. Opinions are for people who only like the sound of their own voice. People use opinions to make statements about nothing and create controversy over everything.

I am not going to vote on Nov. 2 because I have no voice, no cares, no worries, no future. I am not going to vote on Nov. 2 because I am too lazy.

But I have a future. That future includes hope, faith, ambition and love. Do you have a future?

I have a voice. That voice includes my own opinions, thoughts and goals. Where is your voice?

I have a dream. Not to be cliché, but that dream is that one day my children can have a better life than the one I've known.

If you have no dreams, no hopes, no ambition, no faith, no opinions, no voice, then you don't need to vote on Nov 2.

I do. That's why I'm voting on Nov. 2. Are you?

Online classes successful for many

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

Online classes have become a common means for students to earn credits at the University of Wisconsin-Stout and to take full advantage of the technology this institution offers.

For many online classes, the curriculum changes very little with adaptation from regular classes—the students still utilize reading materials and write papers just the same. The main difference is the lack of face-to-face contact between students and faculty.

In the place of lecture and classroom discussion, instructors offer PowerPoint presentations, written lectures and instructions, and some hold online chat sessions. Many regular courses also require access to online resources such as E-scholar, so most students have experienced online learning to some degree.

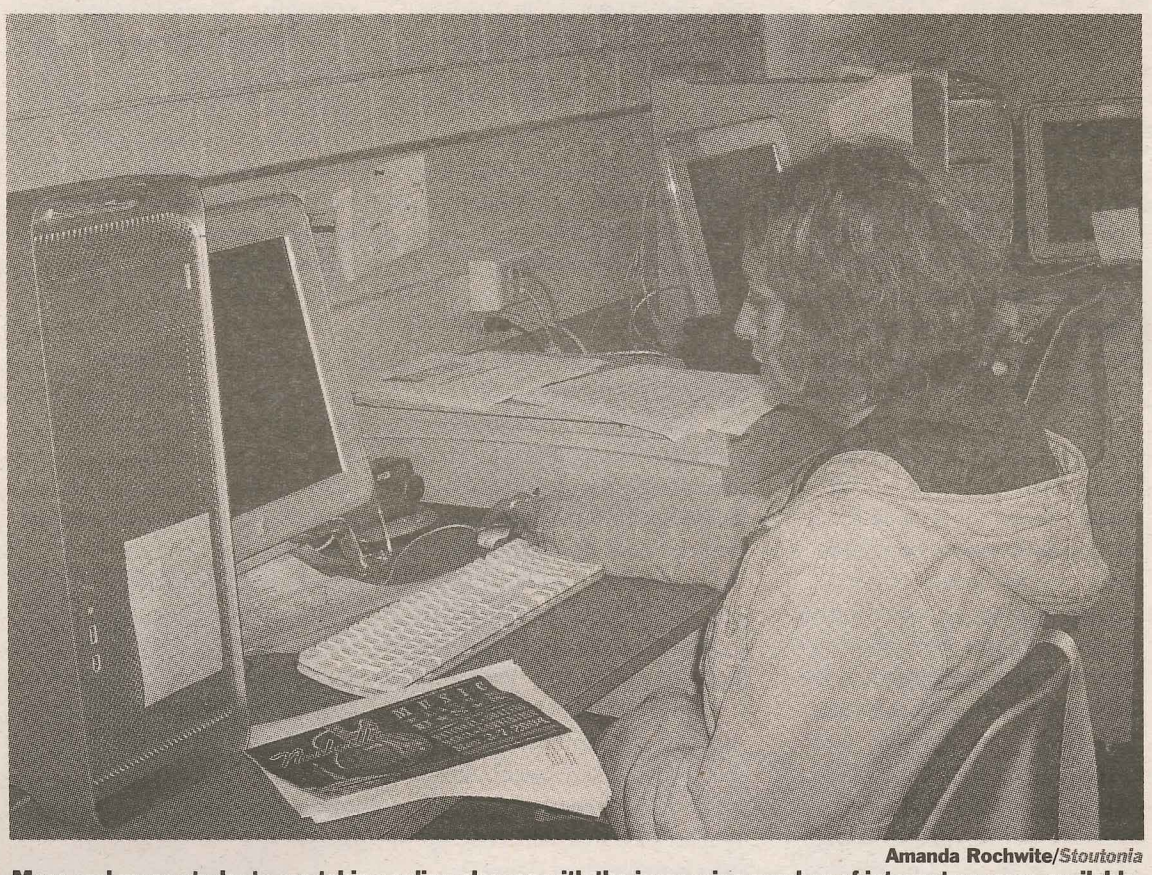
Even though the way students learn online is similar to the way they learn in regular classes, not every course can be successfully taught online.

"We love the technology," said Wendy Dittman, director of industrial management. "But we cannot do everything online."

Dittman started at UW-Stout as an instruction specialist five years ago.

"Online courses must be able to achieve course objectives," said Dittman. "Students also need to choose a course that is right for them. Students have different learning styles."

A course such as speech may seem challenging to teach online, but this has been done successfully.



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

More and more students are taking online classes with the increasing number of internet courses available. Students can succeed in them by balancing the flexibility they are granted with responsibility.

Hollace Teuber has been teaching speech at UW-Stout for four years. She was one of the test pilots for E-scholar and began using online materials for teaching two years ago. During the summer of 2004, her online Fundamentals of Speech class met only for students' speeches.

Some of her students create their own speeches on digital video, using university equipment. It is also a common practice in UW-Stout speech classes to post students' speech videos online for peer critiques.

"I think using online materials is better for students because the materials are always accessible," said Teuber.

"After every class I see a few students ask a classmate, 'What was our assignment?'" said Teuber. "I think students are less afraid to ask such questions in an online course than they would be in a regular class."

Based on her records, Teuber said online classes improve student retention and course completion because they allow students more flexibility.

"I think it gives students more confidence that they can stay in the course," said Teuber. She says that when students have the entire semester to complete all the work, they have more control over their schedules.

Therefore, students tend not to get as busy towards the end of the semester, and they can avoid the need to drop the class.

Some students feel that speech classes would be best taught in front of a live audience.

"For a speech class, I feel that [not meeting face-to-face] is defeating the whole purpose," said Nicole Evenson, a senior in packaging engineering.

Other students had problems following course instructions, but these students also say that the instructor was very helpful in those instances.

"Our instructor was always available online and responded to emails in less than 24 hours," said Traci Williams, a UW-Stout student who took Fundamentals of Speech online. Williams says she would consider taking more online classes and that she would recommend online classes to other students.

However, if students are to succeed in online classes, they need to balance the flexibility with responsibility that online courses provide them.

"It's a good practice to set weekly deadlines and benchmarks for completing work," said Dittman.

Any student who has self-discipline, who selects a class that suits their learning style, can succeed in online courses.

Editor's Note:

In the article titled "War impacts soldiers and students" published in the Oct. 21 issue of *The Stoutonia*, Josh Bowers' military title was wrong. He is actually a Sergeant in the National Guard.

The man featured in the picture on page 9 was John Guillen, not Josh.

Programs unite for poster project

English dept. and art majors team up to feature poetry visually

By Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

On a campus with many diverse majors, it isn't often that two programs come together for a collective effort.

Students in Bill DeHoff's Graphic Design I classes and a poetry group from the English department's Literature Committee are one group that is bringing two diverse majors together.

Posters featuring poetry set in a fashion that interprets them visually can be seen in Harvey Hall near the English department offices, as well as in the Applied Arts building outside of room 123. The posters were compiled by the two groups.

"After the 9/11 tragedy in 2001, a group of faculty who either are poets and/or have a passion for it were talking about poetry as it has responded to times of tragedy in the past," said DeHoff. "They decided to gather a set of poems and try to get them 'into' the campus as a kind of response to that event and [they] contacted us to help."

In DeHoff's GD I class, he has a project in which students are supposed to present language visually.

Students are to set dialogue, lyrics or poems typographically in a way that represents the actual sound of the words, including their pacing, emphasis dynamics and rhythm. This helps the reader interpret how the printed language relates to the spoken words by disecting the visual clues the posters provide.

"[The project] was a natural fit with the poetry group," said DeHoff, "so we took the poetry chosen by the group, Jonna [Gjevre] (an assistant professor in English) came and worked with the students as a resource and discussion leader in the interpretation of the works and we produced the final pieces."

The project has been repeated every year with a new theme and new people selecting the poems. Different people from the English department are also chosen to help the students understand the poems.

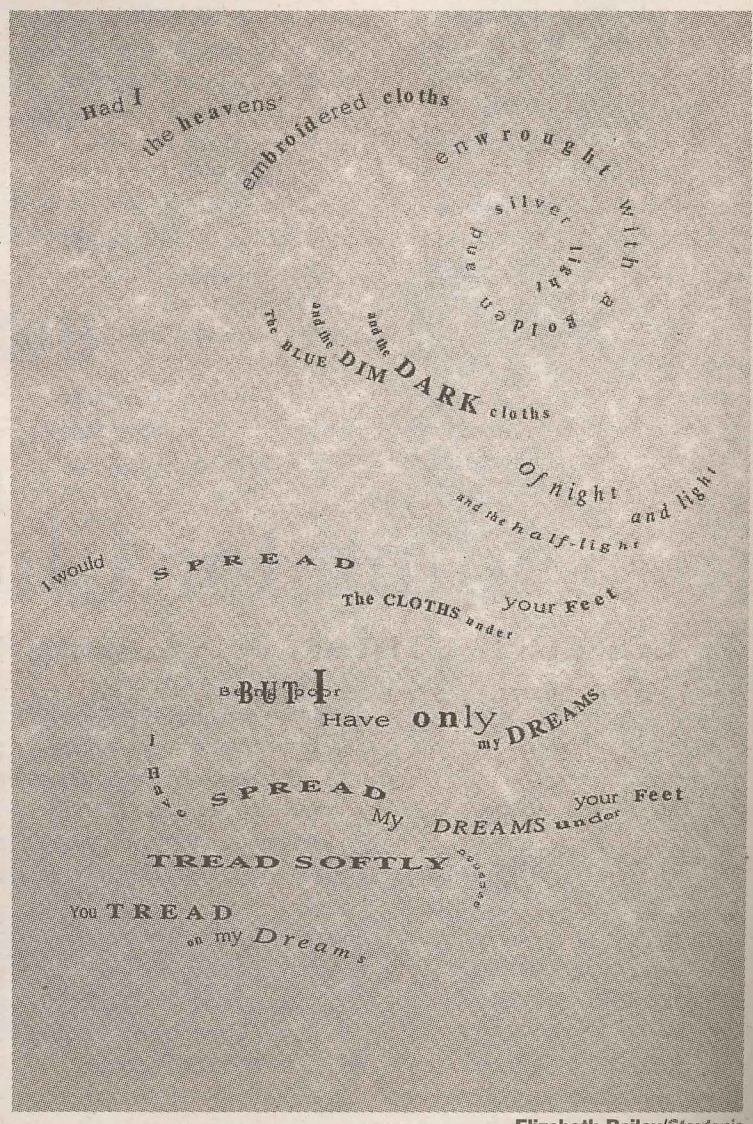
The current theme is love, with Jean-Marie Dauplaise, an assistant professor in the English department as the resource for students. Next year's theme has not yet been chosen and is open for student and faculty suggestions.

Each poem the poetry group selected was typographically set by three or four students individually. The best poster for each poem was selected by the Literature Committee.

The posters in Applied Arts will remain hanging for a couple of weeks, but those posted in Harvey Hall will stay up for the duration of the school year.

Since the project spanned two different majors, it brought them together and really showed that students in all varieties of majors can work together.

"The interdisciplinary nature of the project and the inter-departmental cooperation involved in bringing it to fruition underscores the practical, cultural and intellectual value of focusing on the connections and the intersections between disciplines, rather than on the differences that distinguish and divide them from one another," said Dauplaise.



Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

Jessica Burns designed the winning poster for the poem "He Wishes for the Cloths of Heaven," written by W.B. Yeats. The poem is filled with images of mystical beauty, which is reflected in the poster.

Cooking with crock pots, grilling with George

Katie Bader
Columnist

Cooking in the dorms is not the easiest task to do. In fact, it's almost impossible. And with Commons and Tainter providing you with a meal so close by, why even bother to cook in the dorms.

But what about when you lose your Stout One card and can't pay for the meal? What about when you don't have any more money on your account? What if you are just sick of the cafeteria food or if the cafeteria isn't open? Then you have two choices: starve or cook something yourself.

If you're cooking in the dorms you must be careful. Certain cooking tools are not allowed in the dorms, and most students are not happy with this.

"The rule that doesn't allow toasters is in bad taste because the front desk has a toaster themselves," said Betsy Stefan, a sophomore in food systems and technology.

According to the Residence Hall Handbook for 2004-2005, "any cooking appliances with an open element and/or those that may cause a ventilation problem are not permitted."

What does that mean you can or cannot have? After doing a little research, this is what was found. Unfortunately, many of the appliances allowed in the dorms are not very common or well-used.

Do you know about the warm, tasty, slow-cooked meals that can be made in a crock pot? Did you know that there is more to George Foreman grills than grilled cheese?

Here are a few recipes for those of you who live in the residence halls and would like to cook something different.

These recipes are also for those of you who live off-campus, but still have these appliances and want to put them to good use.

Crock pot meals take quite awhile to simmer and cook, but in the end, the meal is more flavorful.

"Crock pots rock my world," said Alison Weis, a junior in packaging.

This recipe takes a total of eight hours. It is easy to make, cheap and a lot tastier than clam chowder from a can. Once you put all the ingredients in the crockpot, you can go to class, go running, go to a party or basically do anything you want. When you come back from the cold there will be a warm, already prepared meal waiting for you.

Potato Chowder
(5 Servings)
1 5-oz. pkg. scalloped potato mix
4 cups chicken broth
*2 onions, chopped**
2 cups half and half
1/3 cup flour

1. In a 3-4 quart slow cooker (crockpot), combine potatoes and sauce from scalloped potato mix with chicken broth and onions. Stir well.

2. Cover crockpot and cook on low for seven hours.

3. In a medium bowl, mix together half and half, and flour with wire whisk until smooth. Stir this mixture into crockpot very slowly, stirring constantly until well blended.

4. Cover crockpot and cook on low for one more hour, stirring occasionally, until soup has thickened.

*If you're not an onion fan you may omit these.

George Foreman grills work into college life because they are so easy to use and make a meal fast. They cost about $15 and can help you make so many different meals. This next meal takes about 10 minutes to make.

"For cooking up so fast, it is surprisingly tasty and it's a meal in itself," said Alisa Craig, a junior in business.

Chicken Cordon Bleu
1 chicken breast
2 slices of ham
4 slices of Swiss cheese

1. Place the chicken breast on the George Foreman grill. Lower top. Let cook for approximately four minutes or until browned.

2. Meanwhile, place ham on grill next to chicken. Cook for about two minutes or until brown on the edges.

3. Layer a row of Swiss cheese onto the chicken. Place the ham onto the Swiss cheese. Place another layer of cheese on top of the ham.

4. Lower the lid for about 30 seconds so that the cheese will melt.

Of course, the microwave is one appliance that is allowed in the residence halls. Microwaves can cook meals in minutes and are just as easy to use as a George Foreman grill. Here is a recipe, perfect for fall for a type of candied squash.

Sweet Squash
1 Acorn or butternut squash
2 tablespoons margarine
A few handfuls of brown sugar

1. Cut the squash in half and scoop out the seeds. Place the squash in separate microwaveable dishes.

2. Poke insides of squash with fork a few times.

3. Cover with waxed paper and microwave on high for about 10 minutes.

4. When the inside of the squash is soft, add one tablespoon of butter to each half and fill the remaining room with brown sugar.

5. Microwave for one minute and stir.

6. To eat, spoon out the squash and sugar mixture and enjoy.

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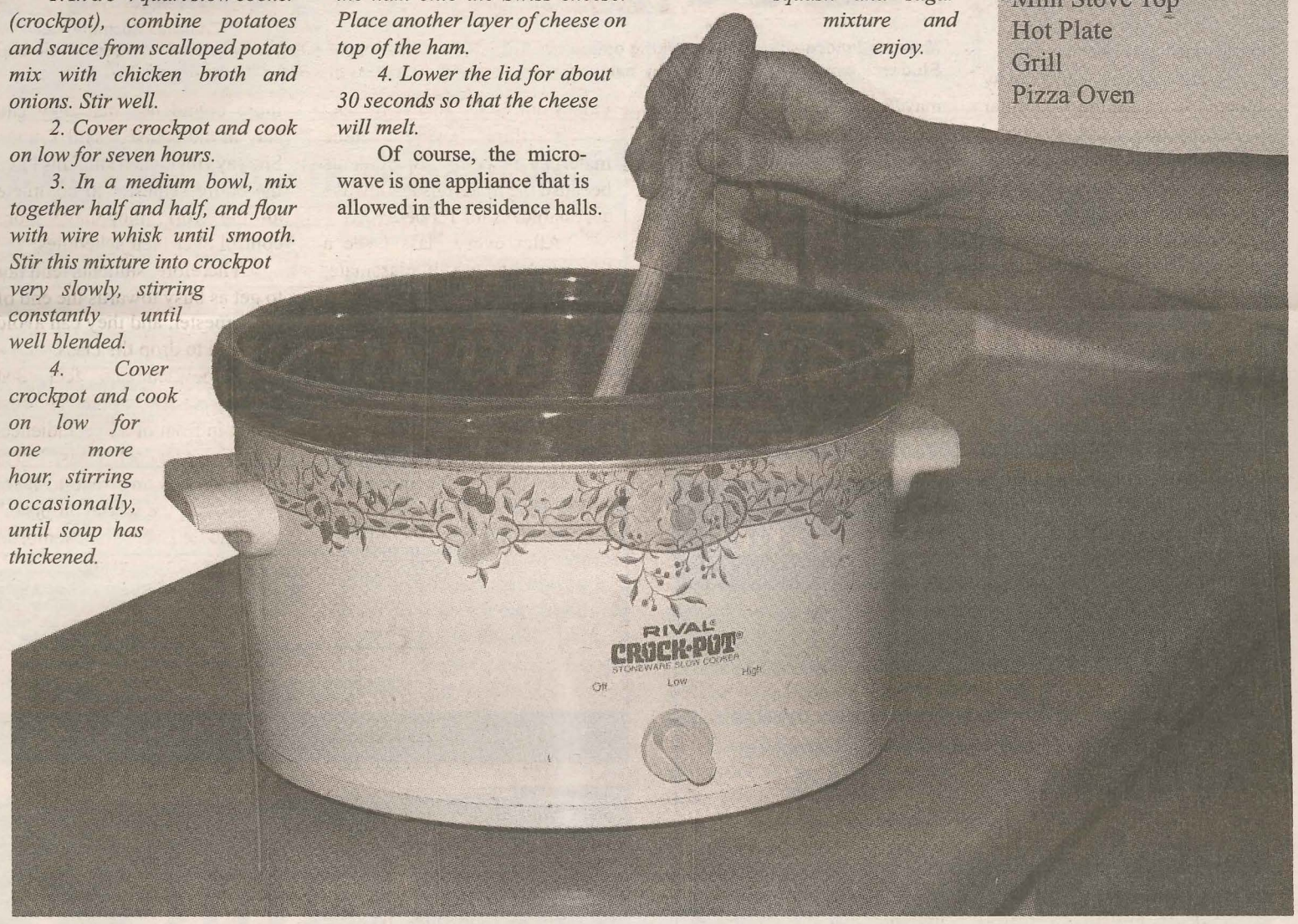

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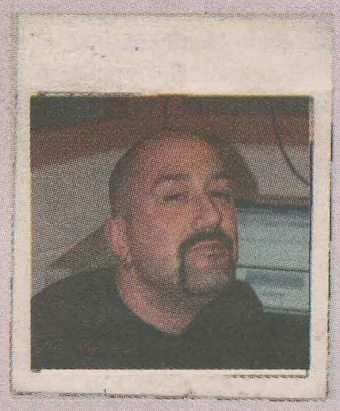

"I threw away all the extra candy that I put fish hooks in."
Justin Pitts
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"Anything with peanut butter, because I hate it."
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"Any candy that's healthy or non-sugary like granola bars and apples with razor blades."
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>**Thursday Night Out,** Rec. Center, 8 p.m.
>**Dave Wolfe and the Wolfmen,** Rec Center, 8 p.m., free.
>**North Campus Trick-or-Treat,** Flemming, Hovlid,Wigen and JTC Dorms, 5:30 p.m. -7 p.m., free.
>**Music: DeYarmond Edison, EC Blues All Stars, Sic Transit Gloria,** The Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., $3.

Friday, Oct. 29
>**Movie: "The Manchurian Candidate,"** 210 AA, 7 p.m., free.
>**Speaker: A Muslim Feminist's Pers ive,** Crystal ballroom A, Noon-1 p.m., free
>**Music: Destine Records & Hooch,** The Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., $3.

Saturday, Oct. 30
>**Movie: "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington",** 210 AA, 7 p.m.
Body Wisdom - A Women's Circle of Care event, Great Hall, 8:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m., $10.
>**Mel Gibson & the Pants, Digitata, Post-Mordem Grinner,** The Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., $3.

Sunday, Oct. 31
>**Halloween Karaoke,** The Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., free.

Monday, Nov. 1
>**Movies: "Fahrenheit 9/11" & "Fahrenhype 9/11,"** 210 AA, 6 p.m. -10 p.m., free.

Wednesday, Nov. 3
>**Yoga: For Climbers,** Stout Adventures climbing wall, 7 p.m., $10 student (non- climbing wall member).

Thursday, Nov. 4
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Café, 8 p.m., free.
>**Music: Much the Same,** Rec Center, 8 p.m., free.

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Staying alive: radio revamped

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

If you have heard the name "Power 100" around campus, then you are one of the fortunate that knows about the radio station on the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus.

Started almost 25 years ago, the station recently shut down for three years due to lack of student interest, only to be restarted this year. Currently running from the basement of CKTO, Power 100 is taking a high-speed start to what appears to be an incredible station and Mykel Todd, a senior majoring in business, is the man behind the whole operation.

Definitely having the qualifications for the job, Todd has toured with bands such as Styx and Aerosmith. Todd also headed Minnesota's KQRS rock radio station and Phoenix's KNIX country station. Todd is now lending his experience and expertise to the UW-Stout's campus radio station.

"I want to make this station the biggest thing on campus," said Todd. "I want to make it a 24/7 station and get the entire campus involved."

The station is a beneficial experience for nearly any major, with business majors promoting the station, graphic design majors coming up with a new logo, fashion design majors designing apparel and so on.

"The sky is the limit," said Todd.

As of right now, there is only one show being broadcast: "Gunner and Shag's Rock Blitz," which airs weekdays from 6 to 9 p.m. on UW Stout's television channel, channel 20, and soon on the FM.

Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

Cody Wilbur and Brad Gunn, on air personalities for "Gunner and Shag's Rock Blitz," joke around with each other on and off the air.

Disc jockey's Brad Gunn (The Gunner), a freshman majoring in general business and Cody Wilbur (The Shag), a sophomore majoring in telecommunications, have a ton of energy and enthusiasm for their show. Their motto, "The Gunner and Shag promise to kick more ass so you don't have to," says it all.

"Our purpose is to get people to call in so we can play what they want to hear," said Wilbur.

Their show plays mostly rock, from all eras, ranging from The Beastie Boys' "Fight for your Right to Party" to Dashboard Confessionals' "Vindicated."

Along with playing all the music you can handle in three hours, they also give away free prizes to callers and they promote issues on campus.

"We want to see a happy campus rocking out all the time," said Gunn.

One of the things that the station is working on now is a new image. There is a contest for those who come up with a new name and logo for the station. The contest lasts until Nov. 23. Also on Nov. 23, Power 100 is hosting a Thanksgiving bash in Huff's.

The bash will include live music and will be a last chance for logo and name suggestions. The new name and logo will be announced in January of 2005 and the winner(s) will receive a grand prize, which could be a large screen television. If you have any suggestions or ideas, you can either tune in and call "Rock Blitz" at 232-2332 or you can e-mail the station at power100@uwstout.edu.

Another project the station is working on is a Battle of the Bands for next semester. The John Lennon Tour Bus has offered to come back next semester and give the winner of the contest a professional recording session in the bus.

The station is also working on live broadcasting from UW-Stout sporting events and live broadcasts from clubs and raves in the Twin Cities. In the near future, the station plans to bring in big names like Nickelback to perform, working with BDP to have live concerts at least once a month, in Menomonie, and getting broadcast on the FM as well as online.

One of the best things about the station is that it is 99 percent student run. The purpose of the station is to get everyone on campus involved.

"I am hoping this will provide something for students to do besides go home on weekends or go out partying," said Todd.

University staff backs the station with a lot of support because it can appeal to a vast majority of majors on campus and is a great learning experience.

DJs get free training on how to use some of the newest radio equipment. They are still looking for DJs to cover any available hours. Being a DJ means that you get a chance to play the kind of music you want to hear, while getting experience in the music field at the same time. E-mail power100@uwstout.edu for more information.

Right now, Power 100 is planning to move from the basement of CKTO into the Rec. Center next year. This will be campus beneficial because it will bring in more business for the Pawn, the Rec. Center and the bookstore.

Power 100 is definitely no longer a thing of the past.

Comedy Central gets real...really drawn

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Entertainment Writer

http://www.comedycentral.com

Drawn together starts out as a spoof on reality television but ends up as a spoof of animation.

Comedy Central's latest program, touted as television's first animated reality series, is "the true story of eight characters, picked to live together in a house, to find out what happens when people stop being real and start getting animated."

As might be expected, "Drawn Together" seeks to skewer such reality programs as "The Real World" and "The Surreal Life."

The eight housemates include Captain Hero, a hedonistic, immoral superhero; Clara, a 20-year-old sweet, naïve, yet bigoted fairy-tale princess; Toot Braunstein, a pudgy, black-and-white 20s heartthrob; Foxxy Love, a sexy mystery-solving musician; Spanky Ham, a foul-mouthed internet download pig; Ling-Ling, an adorable Asian trading card mini-monster; Wooldoor-Sockbat, a wacky SpongeBob-like "whatchamacallit;" and Xandir, a strong, yet strangely effeminate video game adventurer.

Comedy Central has a good track record for airing original programming that is both highly successful and very funny and with creators, writers, and producers from shows like, "The Simpsons" and "The Man Show", this show is no different.

Comedy Central also knows the show's most likely audience and is marketing directly to it. The Stoutonia was one of many college campus newspapers nationwide invited to take part in a telephone press conference and provided with an advance copy of the pilot episode.

"Drawn Together" is also receiving a generous amount of ad time on Comedy Central, and was released Oct. 27 at 9:30 p.m., premiering just after "South Park."

The concept of a reality/cartoon show spoof looks very good on paper, and the character line-

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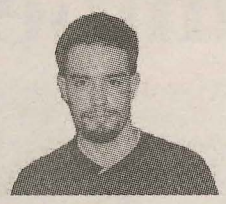
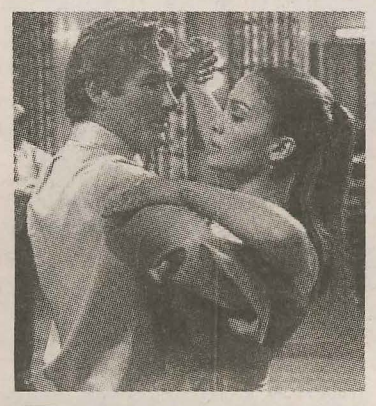


Kyle Kingson
Entertainment Writer

I went into this movie knowing my prejudices. I'm not crazy about so-called "chick flicks" or romantic comedies. I have nothing whatsoever against Susan Sarandon—in fact, sometimes I really like what she does, but I've never liked Richard Gere. On the other hand, I hate Jennifer Lopez.

I'm being upfront about this because I don't want my review to be about these things, though sometimes, I have varying success.

With that said, I probably wouldn't see "Shall We Dance" on my own, but since I'm getting paid to, I'm going to try to be as open-minded and fair as possible.



The story of "Shall We Dance" concerns a baby boomer lawyer, John Clark (Richard Gere), who, feeling bored with his blah existence of a stable job and a comfortable relationship with his wife, Beverly (Susan Sarandon), decides on a whim to take ballroom dancing lessons. The idea surfaced while John took his el-train ride home and saw a beautiful girl, Paulina (Jennifer Lopez), staring soulfully out a dance studio window.

At first, the audience could be forgiven for thinking that John just wants to hook up with Paulina, because no doubt this crossed John's mind as well but an affair was not to ensue.

Thoughts of Paulina shift to the background as John discovers, much to his surprise and delight, that he enjoys dancing. In fact, it makes him a happier, more energetic person, and there are times when he just can't control the happiness of his feet.

It doesn't take long for his family to notice. Beverly eventually hires a detective to find out what secrets her husband may be hiding. She's left puzzled when she finds out how her husband spends his evening hours.

The rest of the story isn't really worth going into detail. John and his classmates find themselves entered into a dance competition and, somehow, John's family finds out about this competition. I could tell you how the competition ends, but then it would be completely pointless to see the movie.

By the time the closing credits roll, everyone is happily dancing. John teaches Beverly to dance, and they are closer than ever. All the supporting characters live happily ever after, too.

That's some of the story.

If it sounds familiar, then you probably saw the original 1996 version of this movie under the same name. I did get a sense of déjà vu more than once, but that's not enough for me to make a competent comparison, so we'll forget that.

Is the story good? Good enough. It's incredibly contrived, but if you try not to think about it too much, you'll do all right watching it; it even manages to be charming sometimes.

For a movie ostensibly about the transcendental powers of dance, there's not that much actual dance, and what there is doesn't impress much. Could I do the moves? No. But Fred Astaire would be yawning.

As for acting, I still don't like Richard Gere, but I'll give him props for being convincing and sympathetic in a role that demanded little more than either. There were some good supporting actors too, particularly Stanley Tucci, who probably steals the show as a geeky bald office worker, who's ashamed of his love for ballroom dancing. And as for Jennifer Lopez-at least she's given very little screen time. I'm not saying any more than that, As date movies go, you could do worse. It gets a not-too-much-or-too-little three out of five.

http://www.movies.yahoo.com

(left) Jennifer Lopez gives Richard Gere dance lessons so that he (above) can teach his wife, played by Susan Sarandon, how to dance.

Drawn/*good TV idea turns very bad*

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up certainly seems to have the potential for funniness, but the show just fails to deliver the laughs. The pilot episode is 20 minutes long, without commercials, and maybe five of those minutes actually register as funny.

The main problem with "Drawn Together" is that it just tries too hard. Gross-out humor, profanity and racial stereotypes are all explored with equal ineptitude. Everything the show tries is done better in other shows like "Chappelle's Show," "South Park," or "The Simpsons," to name a few.

To be fair, there are three sequences in the "Drawn Together" pilot that are actually inspired. These include a gladiator battle between two smurfs, a voting meeting reminiscent of a slave auction and a musical number to the tune of "A Whole New World" following a lesbian make-out.

It is really only during these scenes that Comedy Central's goal of a show that, as their press release puts it, "parodies many clichés of reality television" is realized.

These scenes would make a hell of a cartoon short on "Saturday Night Live." It's a shame that Comedy Central decided to invest so much money and energy into forcing these characters into a time slot that, no matter how hard they try, they just can't fill.

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This scene shows the bluntness that Comedy Central is using to entice to its targeted audience with the new cartoon "Drawn Together."

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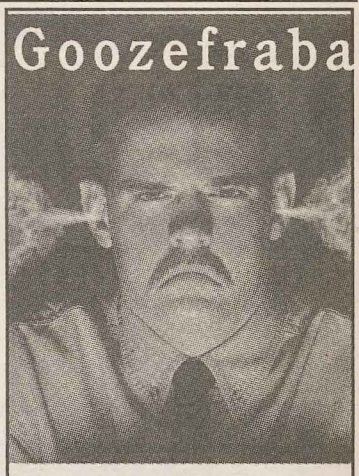

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1	1	802 6th Av #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	All Util included,great location	6
1	1	702 - 4th St.	$263	$263	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
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1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
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2	1	115 W Main St.	$400	$200	$485	$243	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	915 _ Main St.	$380	$190	$455	$228	Nice Duplex with parking	D
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2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
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2	1	2121 5th St. C	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
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3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$615	$205	$715	$239	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
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3	1	1415 1/2 4th St.W	$600	$200	$720	$240	Gas heat/Garage modern	D
3	1	503 18th Ave.	$625	$209	n/a	n/a	Very nice, Close to campus	D
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4	1	1808 5th St.	$800	$200	n/a	n/a	Lg rooms, laundry, parking great loc.	H
4	1	1820 8th St. A	$900	$225	$1020	$255	Great Unit, Washer/Dryer, remodeled	H
4	1	1114 7th St.	$1140	$285	n/a	n/a	Great location	H
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4	1	1115 14th Ave.	$680	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat, garage, lg. Rooms, laundry.	H
4	1	1120 15th Ave.	$600	$150	$760	$190	Very LARGE bedrooms/WashDry hook-up	D
4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
4	1	921 Main St #1	$740	$185	$860	$215	parking and convenient location	4
4	1	121 12th Ave. W.	$900	$225	$1030	$258	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	1.5	121 1/2 12th Ave.W.	$900	$225	$1000	$250	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	2	1721 7th St.	$1120	$280	n/a	n/a	Includes Util. WASHER/DRYER, Parking	H
4	2	1319 - 8th St.	$775	$194	$915	$244	Excellent location/parking/ lg. rooms	H
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #1	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #4	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #5	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #7	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$980	$245	$1130	$283	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1	915 Main St	$780	$195	$910	$228	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$980	$245	$1200	$300	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	2	602 12th Ave.	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, gas heat Wash/Dry	D
4	2	1301 9th Street	$1020	$255	$1200	$300	Beautiful house/garage/ WASH.DRY	D
4	2	1415 8th Street	$1000	$250	$1150	$288	Upgraded recently,great location,parking,W/D	D
4	2	332 1/2 Main St.	$1040	$260	$1170	$293	Huge, W/D, deck, the best 4 br dntwn/parking	H
4	2	1317 8th Street	$1040	$260	$1180	$295	Washer/Dryer, Deck, good location	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1420	$355	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$1,110	$278	$1310	$328	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$700	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
2		205 17th Ave W A	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, close to campus	4
5	1	1121 - 6th Ave.	$600	$120	$750	$150	Storage/Gas heat/parking/avail. 7/30/05	H
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	2	1115 17th Ave.	$750	$150	$960	$192	Very large rooms/WashDry hook-up	H
5	2	1403 - 6th St.	$900	$180	$1100	$220	good location/ lots of parking, lg. rooms	H
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	good location, Wash/Dry	D
2		814 10th St	$925	$185	$1125	$225	Large, modern great floor plan, Wash/Dry	D
5	2	1107 2nd St. W.	$1000	$200	$1180	$236	Good Layout / close to campus/ Wash/Dry	H
5	1	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	$1150	$230	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$1000	$200	$1160	$232	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. C	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	1	914 6th Ave.	$1025	$205	n/a	n/a	great house, Parking	H
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #1	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #2	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$900	$180	$1110	$220	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1803 7th St	$1075	$215	$1275	$255	Washer/Dryer/parking/good location	D
5	2	2303 3rd St.	$1025	$205	$1225	$245	Washer-Dryer/ very nice inside/ large rooms	H
5	2	1521 8th St.	$1075	$215	$1250	$250	House / Large Rooms / good location	H
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5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1150	$230	$1325	$265	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	1008 6th St.	$1275	$255	$1495	$299	Location/garage/Parking, Wash/Dry	H
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	1708 6th St A	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2	1708 6th St B	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2.5	1502 - 7th St.	$1050	$175	$1260	$210	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/new siding	H
6	2	1402 - 8th St.	$600	$100	$690	$115	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/good layout	H
6	2	504 10th St.	$9600	$1600	$1160	$194	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/large rooms	H
6	1.5	221 4th St.	$800	$134	$1020	$170	North Campus, gas heat, Wash/dry	D
6	2+	115 _ 17TH Ave W	$1250	$209	$1450	$242	Newer unit, Great Loation, WASHER/DRYER	D
6	2	1714 8th St.	$1230	$205	$1420	$237	Very large, deck, private, high eff gas heat	H
6	2	415 - 13th Ave.W.	$1050	$175	$1250	$209	Modern house/very large rooms/good location	H
6	2+	1415 1/2 8th Street	$1560	$260	$1750	$292	Fabulous new construction, Wash/Dry	D
6	2	115 17th Av W	$1260	$210	$1430	$239	House,Location,wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave C	$1675	$280	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1620	$270	$1840	$307	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave A	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	221 4th St W	$800	$134	$980	$163	North end of campus,Wash/Dry	H
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1400	$200	$1625	$233	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	1321 2nd St. W.	$1575	$225	$1775	$254	Large / 2 living rooms / location	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1575	$225	$1800	$258	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
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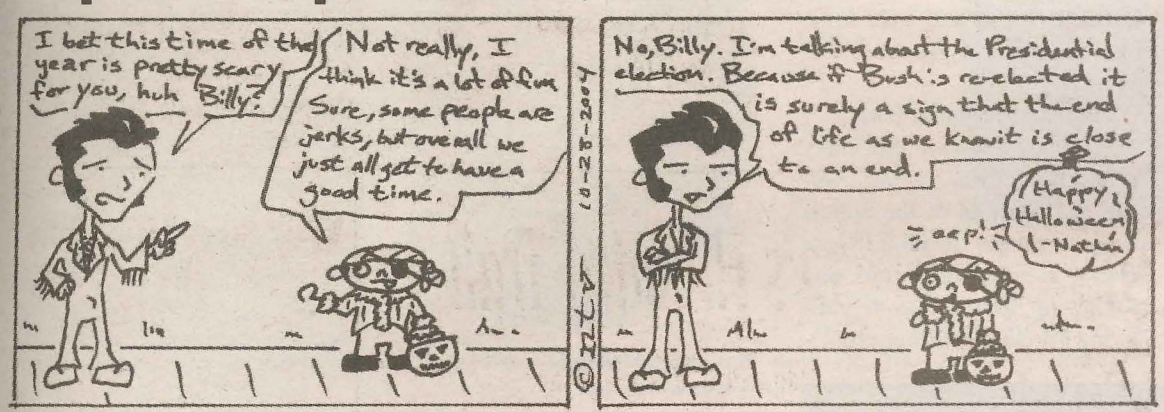

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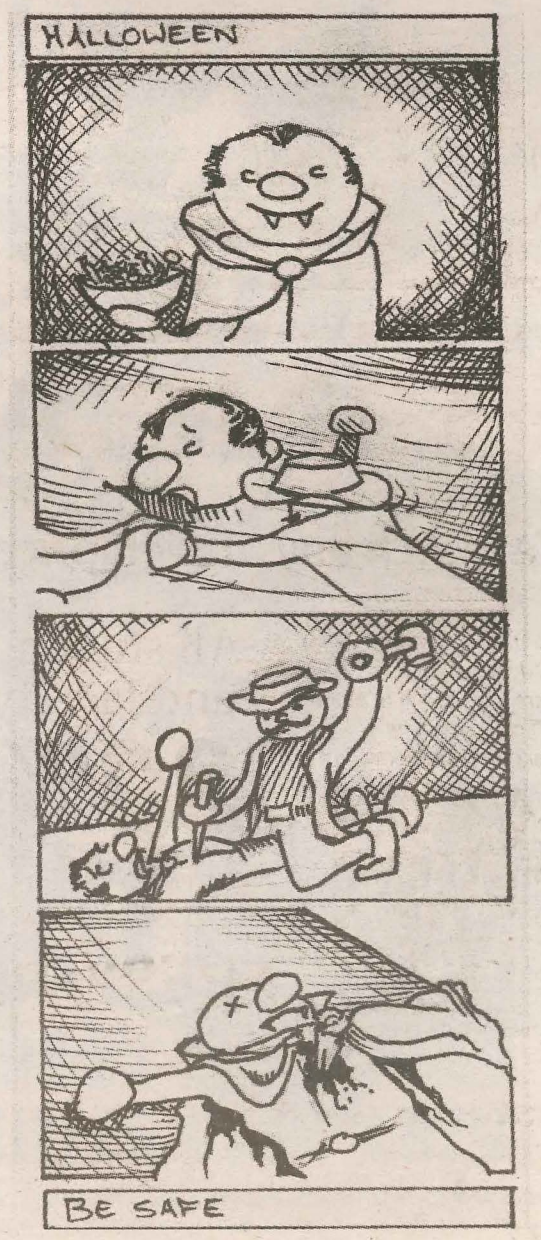


What Curse?

Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

The curse has been lifted.

For the first time in 86 years, the Boston Red Sox have won the World Series. Not only did they win, they dominated. The Red Sox swept the St. Louis Cardinals in four games, making the Cardinals look silly in every aspect of the game.

We now can only hope that Boston fans will stop complaining about the Red Sox not winning.

So what was this curse? Where did it come from? How was it broken? For those of you under the rock of obscurity, I will tell the legend.

It all started in 1918 when the Red Sox just finished winning their fifth world series. One of the stars for this squad was a pitcher by the name of George Herman Ruth, a.k.a Babe Ruth.

Then in 1920, Red Sox owner Harry Frazee traded Babe to the Yankees for 100,000 dollars.

Since then, the Yankees have gone on to win 26 World Series while the Red Sox had not won a World Series since the 1918 season. The Red Sox had only appeared in four World Series since the trade and lost all four in game seven.

I hope Frazee bought himself a urine proof grave with that money, because Boston Fans haven't been too happy with the curse hanging over bean town for so long.

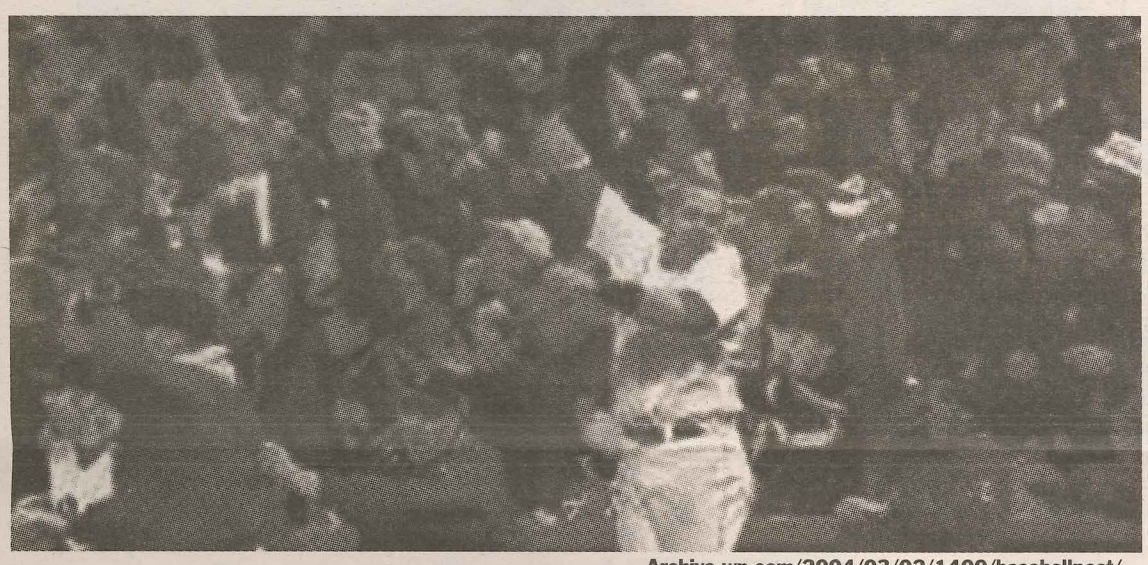
You may be wondering what elements occurred that lifted this curse. I was curious myself. After much pondering, about thirty seconds or so, I came to a few conclusions.

My first thought was that the lunar eclipse that occurred lifted the curse of the bambino off the Red Sox. The moon is known for its mystical powers, and its powers may have removed the curse from the Red Sox.

My second theory holds much more weight and clearly explains why Boston won the World Series. It may take some time to sink in for you, but here it is.

Is Johnny Damon Jesus?

Before you call the crazy house on me, hear me out. Damon has had one of the hottest strings of games in major league history, hitting home runs and racking up RBI's. See the following article for further proof.



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The man's got mad game

Different game: New players, same savior

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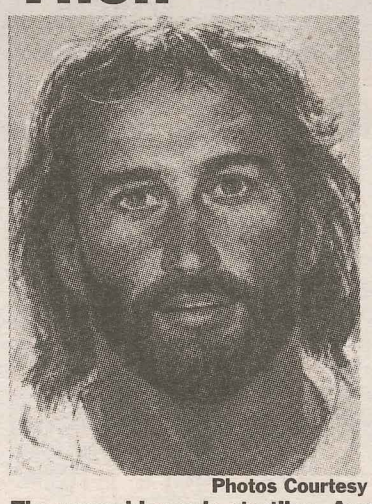

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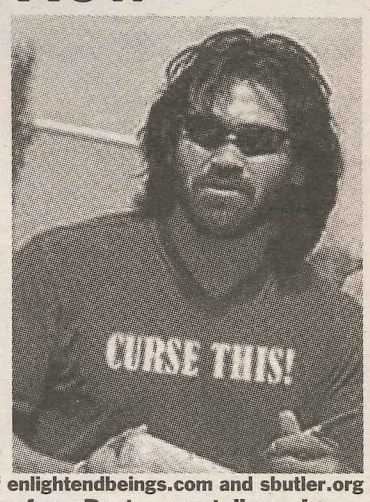

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The resemblance is startling. Anyone from Boston can tell you Jesus is a Red Sox fan.

When I saw him putting the finishing touches on his new hand-made bat in the dugout, I figured it was coincidence.

After realizing that Johnny Damon a.k.a. "JD," was one letter away from our old friend "JC," I was suspicious.

But once I saw him blessing the gatorade during warmups, I was sold.

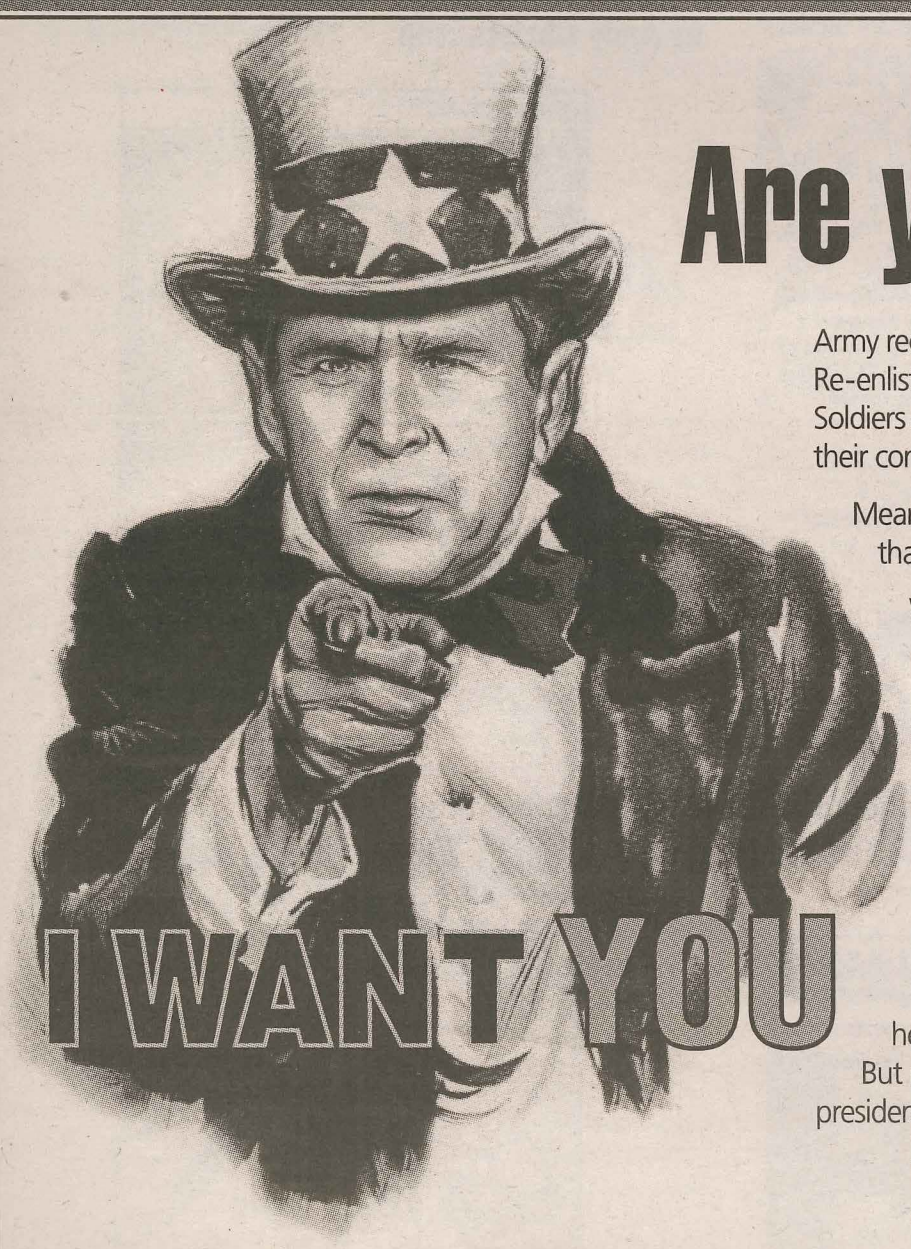
Could Johnny Damon be Jesus?

Yes folks, the same man who died for us over 2,000 years ago has returned and he's in the mood for some baseball.

In the series with the Yankees, he played with "passion," and his statistics were god-like.

With the secret of his identity out, it doesnt look good of the Cardinals, who closest tie to religon is the team's name. It also doens't help that manger Tony La Russa sold his soul to the devil for a trip to the World Series.

One thing's for sure, you won't ever see me ripping on the Red Sox as long as his holiness is creating miracles in bean town.



Are you feeling a draft?

Army recruiters can't fill their quotas. Re-enlistments are plummeting. Soldiers are being forced to stay past their contracted time.

Meanwhile, Iraq is a quagmire that's only going to get worse.

With America's armed forces already stretched to the breaking point in Iraq and Afghanistan, where are tomorrow's troops going to come from?

As college students today, we ought to seriously consider that question.

Oh yes, President Bush insists he won't bring back the draft. But remember: this is the same president who swore that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction. That Saddam was linked to 9/11. And that Iraqis would welcome us with open arms. He was dead wrong every time.

With George Bush stubbornly determined to go it alone, our allies won't join us. American troops will still be 90 percent of the "coalition." And 90 percent of its dead and wounded.

And the volunteer military will be a casualty of war.

So unless you like the idea of graduate school in Fallujah, we need to pay careful attention to what our president is saying, versus what it really means.

Now do you feel that draft?

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Fitness center/ *helping students sweat*

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ing, cardio classes, step cardio is one way to go.

This class focuses on burning fat with a complete body workout. Tap fusion is another cardio class, which incorporates tap dancing and jazzercise into the workout.

For classes that strengthen the core or "powerhouse," which includes the abdomen, lower back and buttocks, either pilates or crunch are the classes to take.

Pilates build a base of strength and flexibility while lengthening and toning each muscle group. Crunch focuses on abdominal and lower back exercises.

Group fitness also offers yoga classes everyday, with three different instructors, all with slightly different styles. Yoga integrates your body and mind for total performance featuring strength, conditioning, relaxation and flexibility, while decreasing stress.

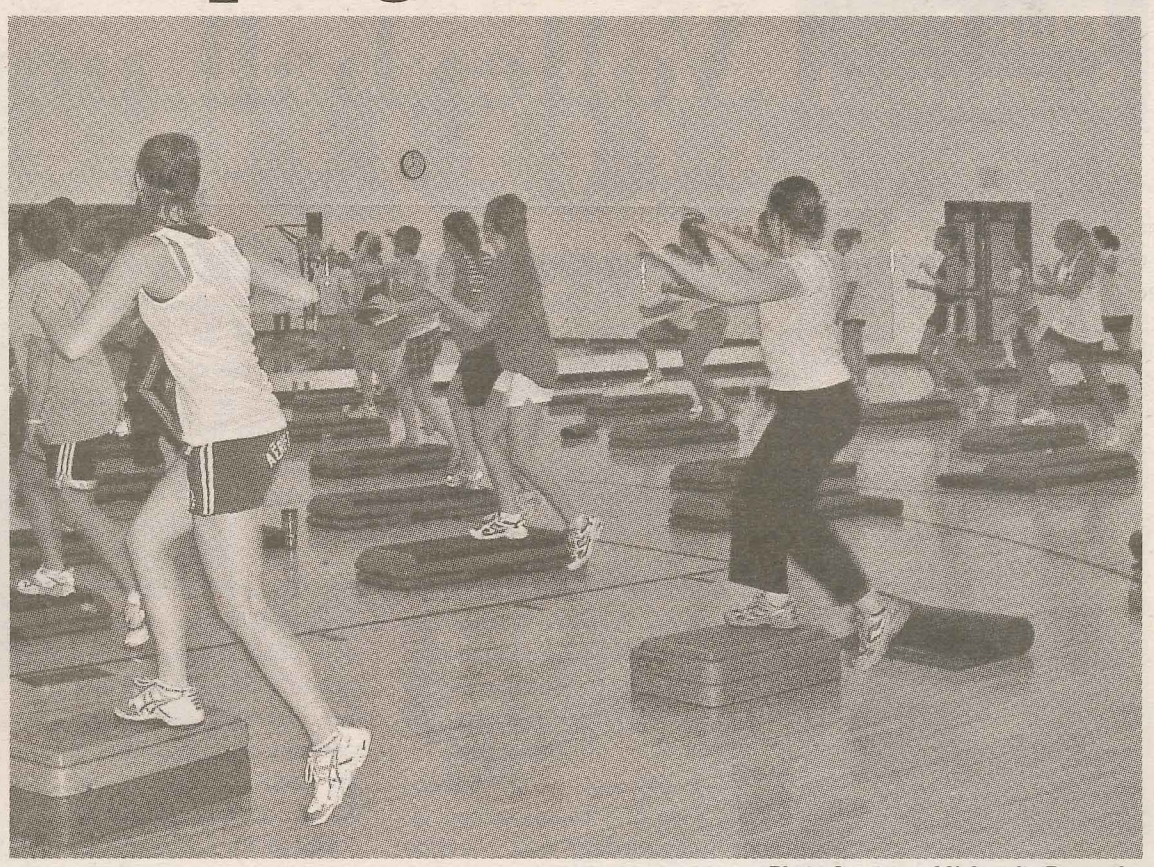
"I love teaching because I get to see people challenge themselves and try something new," said Vannella Shefchik, lead student manager of group fitness. "I also get to see the advantage to people's bodies when they continue to work hard when things get tough."

The HFC recently hosted its third annual Stout Strongman Competition on October 19. The competition that is held each fall in the HFC, includes the farmer's walk, iron grip, tractor tire flip, military press and the medicine ball toss.

"The tractor tire flip is by far the hardest," according to Kyle Gilbertson, coordinator of the event. "The tire weighs around 230 pounds."

This year, there were four competitors and over fifty spectators.

For more information about any part of the HFC: rates and times, please visit http://www.uwstout.edu/univrec.



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Many students and faculty work out at the health and fitness center. Classes range from heavy cardio workout to relaxation exercises. Group fitness keeps students motivated to work out on a weekly basis.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

In a meet that was meant to be a warm up for the upcoming conference championship, Ryan Chernik posted a time that put him near the top of the competition.

Chernik finished fourth overall at the Lake Wissota Invitational with a time of 16 minutes, seven seconds. His time not only gave him a top five finish, but also earned the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Runner of the Week award.

So far this season, Chernik has competed consistently. He has competed in five of six meets and has finished in the top 30 in four of the meets.

Chernik and the rest of the Blue Devils cross country team will compete at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls this weekend for the WIAC championships.

The Facts:
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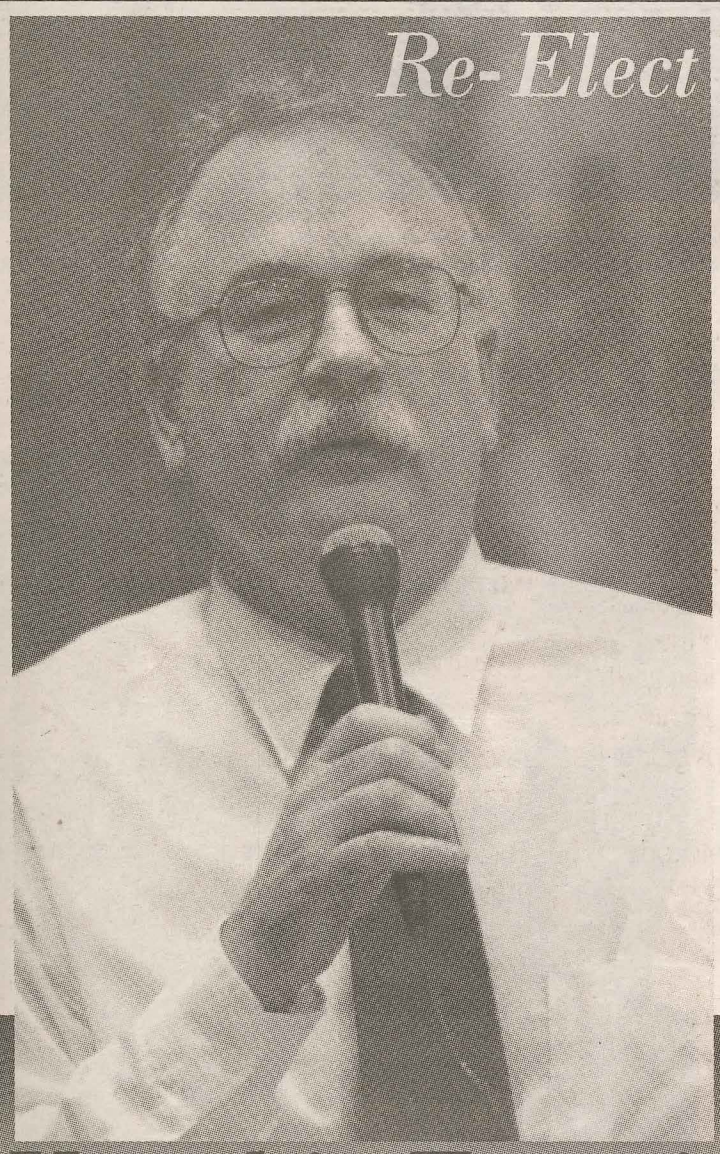
Earned WIAC runner of the week honors for his performance at the Lake Wissota Invitational.

Ryan Chernik
Cross Country



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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(3-3)

The football team lost 28-10 against River Falls on Oct. 23.

Next Game:
Oct. 30 hosting La Crosse

Cross Country

Next Meet:
Oct. 30 at River Falls
(WIAC championship race)

Tennis
(4-10)

The tennis team finished seventh at the WIAC Championships.

Soccer
(12-2-2)

The soccer team tied 2-2 with Oshkosh.

Next Match:
Oct. 29 hosting Platteville

Volleyball
(23-4)

The volleyball went 4-0 at the Stout Invitational.

Game 1
Stout 3 Hamline 0
Game 2
Stout 3 Luther 0
Game 3
Stout 3 Viterbo 0
Game 4
Stout 3 Stevens Point 0

Next Match:
Nov. 2 hosting Oshkosh
(WIAC tournament)

Volleyball pounds out wins

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

The Blue Devil volleyball team encountered little resistance from their opposition last weekend when the team hosted the University of Wisconsin-Stout Volleyball Invitational.

UW-Stout played four matches and was victorious in all of them boosting the team's overall record to 23-4.

Not only did the Blue Devils win all four matches, the team did not drop a single game in the entire tournament. The Blue Devils played four teams and only had 12 games for the tournament.

In day one of the tournament, the Blue Devils opened up play by cruising over Hamline University 3-0. UW-Stout faced Luther College in the second match.

Senior Brooke Viegut and junior Tanille Hartwig led the Blue Devils to another 3-0 victory. The closest game in the Luther match was 30-26.

Lindsay Mensink was also a leader for the Blue Devils in the second game, finishing with 11 kills.

The second day of the tournament brought more wins for the Blue Devils. In their first match, the team downed Viterbo University and closed the tournament shutting out the University of Wisconsin-Stevens-Point.

In both games, the Blue Devils had consistent play from their veteran players. Against Viterbo Viegut posted 10 kills, while Hartwig had 10 kills against the Pointers.

Recording eight kills against the V-Hawks were Kjersti Hamlin and Jenny McDermid, while Mensink had eight kills against UW-Stevens Point.

As the regular season draws to a close this weekend, there is still unfinished business for the Blue Devils. After traveling to the University of Wisconsin-River Falls for the Trick-or-Treat tournament, the conference tournament starts.

In the first round of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament, second ranked UW-Stout will face the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. The Titans are ranked seventh in the WIAC, posting an overall record of 20-9.

In order for the Blue Devils to advance to the NCAA playoffs, the team must win the conference's postseason tournament.

With a solid group of upperclassman, the Blue Devils have a shot to qualify for the NCAA playoffs and beyond. Furthermore, this year the success of the team has gone beyond the court; it has allowed the underclassman to get experience on a winning team.

"I have learned so much from the upperclassman this year. They are all extremely talented and I have learned more this year about volleyball than I ever have before," said freshman player Jenna Welsh. "I have also learned more than just volleyball. I've learned how to succeed, how to lose and how to work hard and stay dedicated.

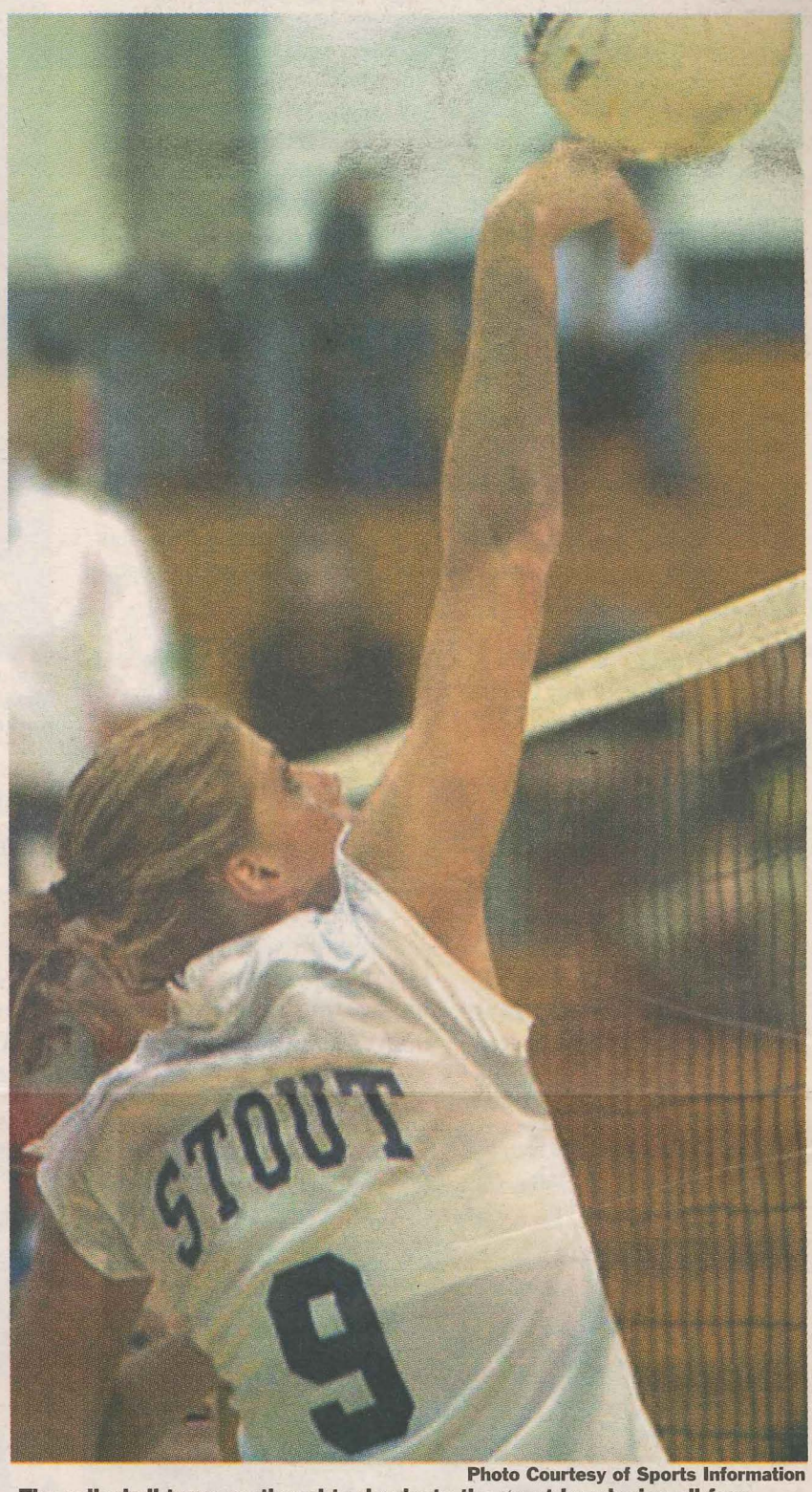

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information
The volleyball team continued to dominate the court by winning all four games at the UW-Stout invitational. The Blue Devils have a record of 23-4.

Health and Fitness keeping Stout fit

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

The Health & Fitness Center (HFC) is in its fourth year of existence this year, with over 6,000 square feet of cardio, strength and free weight equipment.

The HFC also offers group fitness classes Sunday through Thursday nights and various special events throughout the year.

Over 2,500 members use the facility at least three times per week and hundreds participate in group fitness classes every week.

"I love knowing that the services the HFC provides are making positive changes and impacts on people's lives," said Krisi Patterson, the HFC coordinator. "Just knowing that so many people take the time to take care of their body by using our facility and programs is rewarding in itself."

There are eight different group fitness classes available, taught by six different instructors. Each class has a slightly different focus.

Group fitness has the advantage of working out with other members, which encourages participants to stick with the whole class.

For those looking for total body strength and endurance, BOSU sculpting, cardio kickboxing, and BOSU total training are the classes to consider.

BOSU is half sphere used similarly to step aerobics. BOSU stands for both sides up, because it can be used on either side.

BOSU sculpting also helps boost metabolism, while BOSU total training focuses on toning and cardio exercise.

The cardio kickboxing class works both the upper body with punches and the lower body with kicks.

For a healthy, heart pump-

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Photo Courtesy of University Recreation
Over 2,500 people have memberships at the health and fitness center. The HFC offers many options for people looking to stay active.

UW-Stout Hockey team wins season opener

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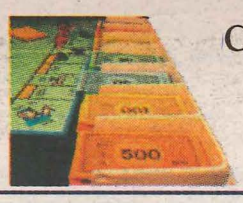

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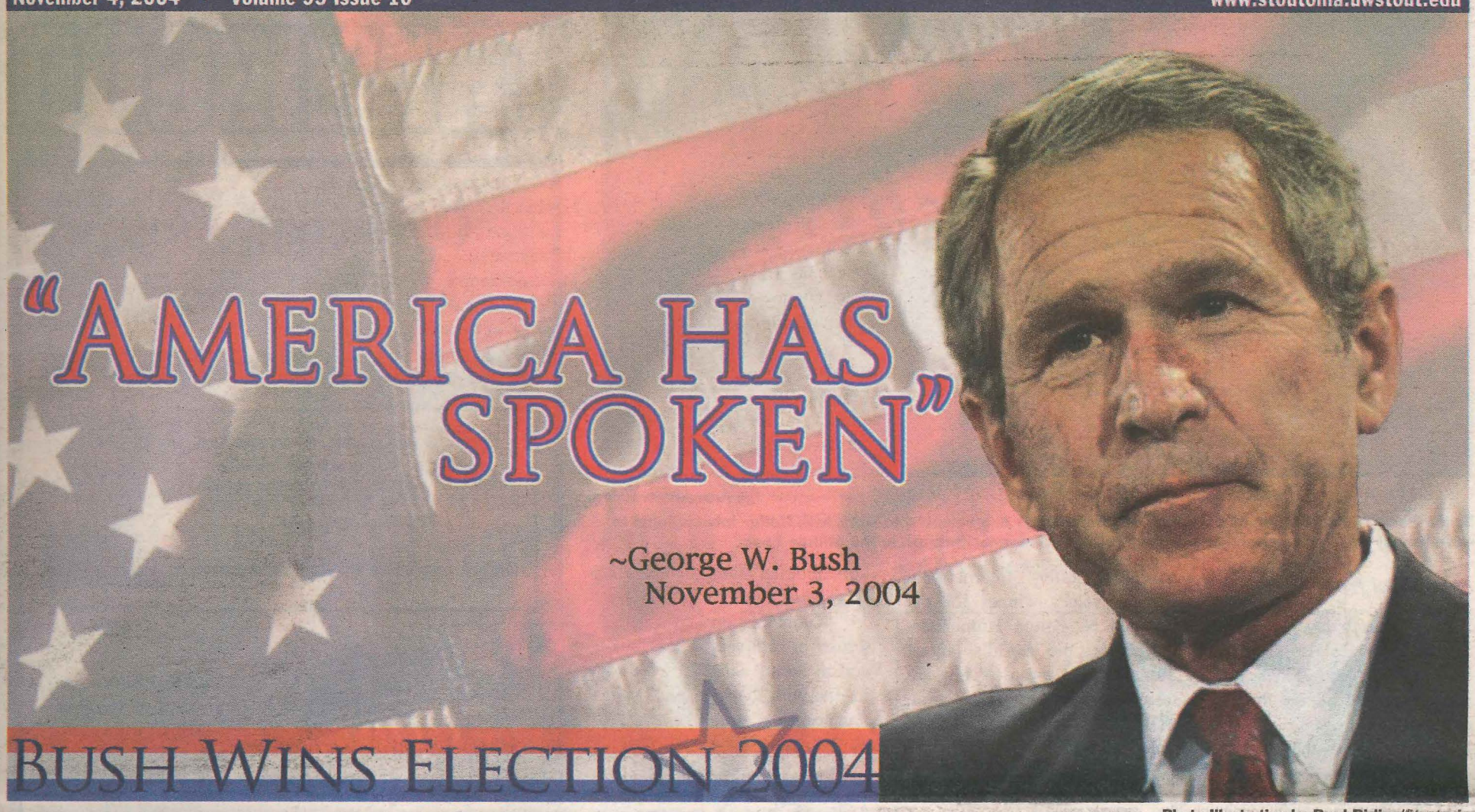

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A group of electioneering residents and students gathered at the corner of Main Street and Broadway to rally for Kerry on Tuesday.

America votes G.W. Bush

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2004 was a day that we have been looking forward to for almost a year. Anticipation of defending a fearless leader, or attempting to remove a leader you do not agree with, either way emotions ran high as the country debated the possibilities of life on this side of November 2.

Students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout have spent countless hours discussing the values of each candidate, trying to establish common ground with either candidate, and trying to find out reasons that they should care enough to vote.

The New Voters Project signed up over 2,300 new voters at UW-Stout, in an effort to get out the student vote, and begin to show students that using their right to vote is important.

Many campus groups lobbied for their candidate relentlessly. Now, with the election over, we can all rest easy knowing that we tried our hardest. Some succeeded, some failed in their quest, but everyone put their best foot forward, and for that UW-Stout, Dunn County and Wisconsin are better for it.

The College Republicans are no doubt happy about the outcome of the election, with their choice for president

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Honors class to buy animals

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Altruism is defined by Webster's dictionary as the "unselfish concern for the welfare of others. Generally regarded as a respectable trait amongst people, many of us spend portions of our time giving what we have in time or other resources for the greater good.

Sociology of Altruism, an honors seminar taught by Bruce Pamperin dove in headfirst to the idea of helping others without regard of anything in return.

In an effort to teach the students through experience, Pamperin has created a course for the students to experience firsthand altruistic effort, and make a change for the better in other people's lives without anything in return.

A program named Heifer International was discovered to align with the mission of the students in the class. Founded in 1944, the non-profit organization works in 115 countries around the world, providing aid by giving animals to localities.

In addition to the animals, local people are trained in sustainable agriculture methods to use the animals for food, labor and as well as being able to use future generations of the animals for the future generations of humans in that area.

"We like the idea of giving humanitarian aid through a program that is not military or government related," said Laura Kreger, a senior in technical communication. "It also seems to be a really sustainable program."

The program operates on the philosophy of "give a man a fish, and he will eat for a day, teach a man to fish and he will eat for life."

To accomplish the goal, the program solicits the help of small groups such as Pamperin's class to raise money and purchase animals for donation to localities that request them. In addition to sending the animals, the program trains people to use them for sustainable agriculture.

The animals purchased with money raised by Pamperins class will be given to a requesting locality in the Middle East.

"This will hopefully boost the image of the U.S., which could use some improvement right now [in the middle east]," said Pamperin.

Each student intends to donate about 10 hours of his or her time and raise $100 to put towards the program. With 13 students in the course, that will give Heifer International a significant donation towards their program.

In order to accomplish this goal, there will be a booth on November 15-17 across from the bookstore in the Memorial Student Center from 10 a.m. to

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High 54
Low 38

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Partly Cloudy
High 52
Low 28

Heifer / *helping people*

Tim Krueger/Stoutonia

Bruce Pamperin's Altruism of Sociology honors seminar has selected to work with Heifer International to raise money towards the purchase of animals and training for farmers in the Middle East.

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3 p.m. each day.

Students are also spending time visiting with local businesses to raise money through donation.

According to the Altruist's Guide, Heifer International is this year's winner for the Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize, the world's largest humanitarian award. They are also a member of Interaction, the largest alliance of U.S. based international development and humanitarian non-governmental organizations.

"Globalization is at the thrust of University of Wisconsin-Stout, and this puts us in line with that mission," said Pamperin.

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emerging as the winner.

"We started this year with ten core members and started hitting the events," said Matt Linne, co-president of College Republicans at UW-Stout. "We grew from 10 members to 50, and now have 300 on the e-mail list."

"[The College Republicans] hard work is what helped Bush win the election," said Linne.

Bush emerging as the victor for president of the United States was only part of the election.

Democrat Russ Feingold was able to hold on to his senate seat, winning over Republican Michels with 300,000 more votes.

Democrat Ron Kind was also able to hold on to his seat in congress, winning over Republican Schultz with about 35,000 more votes.

Republican Sheila Harsdorf also maintained her seat in the state senate, beating Gary Bakke in a landslide win with 60% percent of the vote.

Republican Andy Lamb beat Joe Plouff in a relatively close race only divided by 1,377 votes for the state assembly.

Although Kerry won Dunn County and Wisconsin, he lost his bid for the presidency. In an act of respect for the election system, Kerry conceded the election to Bush on Wednesday to avoid a potentially long court battle.

Both Kerry and Bush admired each other in their speeches on Wednesday, congratulating each other on the race, with Kerry pleading for the country to put aside election differences and unite as a nation.

"America has spoken, and I'm humbled by the trust and the confidence of my fellow citizens," said George W. Bush in a speech on Wednesday. "With that trust comes a duty to serve all Americans. And I will do my best to fulfill that duty every day as your president."

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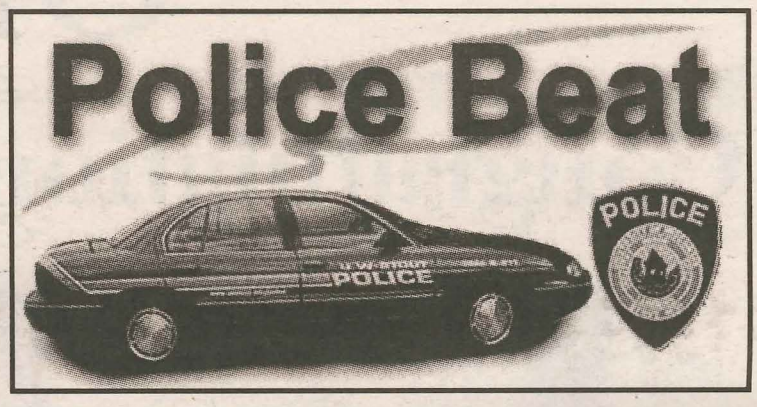

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Oct. 26 to Nov. 2:
First offense underage drinking: 9
Disorderly conduct: 2

WolfChimp Down
On Oct. 27, a resident of Hovlid Hall called an ambulance for another student who injured herself while doing the limbo. While the second student was under the pole, her foot slipped and her knee popped. The student was transferred to the Red Cedar Medical Center for treatment.

Spirits Down
Police responded on Oct. 28 to a fire alarm in Micheels Hall. There was no visible sign of smoke or fire. The fire alarm panel showed trouble in room 203. Officers cleared the room and found spilled mineral spirits. The fumes from the mineral spirits set off the alarm. The alarm was reset.

Cheeseburger Down
A fire alarm was activated in North Hall on Oct. 29. When police arrived the found the source of smoke coming from room 151. It appeared that the residents of that room had been cooking burgers in the microwave. The fire captain gave the all clear and alarm was reset.

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Congratulations! The election is over

Staff Editorial
as written by Curt Trnka

It's over, and congratulations are in line.

Congratulations to those of you who voted for the first time. Congratulations to college students who seemed to be everywhere; some waited hours to vote.

If you didn't vote, hopefully it was because you didn't feel strongly for either of the candidates, which was quite possible in this election.

The Stoutonia would like to congratulate George W. Bush on winning his first presidential election popular vote. Although, it should be stated that the difference between the two popular vote totals looks to be about three percent.

Many will point at the last two elections and say that we need to change the system, that there is a problem with the Electoral College. Sports fans will wonder if it is a necessary evil or distant cousin of the BCS?

Part of the problem with the Electoral College is that America is not informed. As a country, we read, on average, at a sixth grade level. Translate that into smart person talk, and it means our country is appallingly dumb.

Many of you are probably wondering just how smart sixth graders are because you know you read better then a sixth grader.

Another part of the problem: Our media likes to get ratings. Electoral College information doesn't get people as excited about the election as a former general talking about his candidate.

When it's time to broadcast the election to America, we get a lot of dressed up people telling us about their guy. Maybe the media needs to focus more on informing people thoroughly than on ratings.

Interesting side note: We contacted all of our sources in D.C. and found out that at least three men did not sleep last night because of the election: John Kerry, George Bush and Michael Moore.

It is sad that the land of the free voted to ban gay marriage in a number of states in this election. Not so free after all.

But this is a democracy, and maybe if there are some states where gay marriages are allowed, it will look like a united democracy.

Gay unions should be like the death penalty. Leave it up to the states. We should not amend our Constitution to exclude any Americans from enjoying life as much as others.

If you looked around campus on Wednesday morning, you probably saw a lot of sad faces.

Maybe you even debated the outcome with someone. It can be fun to debate. Next election get out and try it, and try to listen to the other person's beliefs.

Many Americans are emotional about who won and who lost.

Kerry supporters are going to point out that the environment and higher education are going to suffer as a result of Bush's election.

Bush supporters are going to say that he did a good enough job the first time around, no reason he'll start doing a bad job now. We don't know what the future will hold, but we do know that the next four years will be just that. Four years. Good or bad, it's over.

Conservatives wipe that smirk off your collective face and Liberals put on your happy face; it's time to look around, and see who needs your help.

Interesting side note two: Allan Greenspan has more power than any president when it comes to public morale. If he says we have a surplus, it makes you feel good.

If a report says that Greenspan has been eating a lot of cheeseburgers, we are going to say "Whoa, slow down there, Al. We need you!"

Perhaps the best way to solve the problems of the election is to do what we do to everything else; make it into reality T.V.

Call it "Real World D.C." or maybe "True American Idol." Put as many candidates into the White House as possible and then show how each handles the situations that our president would face.

Sounds a little crazy, right? We'd watch it though.

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The election is over, but our job isn't

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

The election is all over. No more campaign brochures piling on my porch. No more phone calls. No more debates. Our nation has been hurtling towards the now past date of Nov. 2 like a drunk cow towards a fresh bail of hay.

Republicans and Democrats have been engaged in one long mud-tossing party for so long now I wonder if they/we can remember that it wasn't very long ago when a person didn't automatically damn another simply because of a button on a lapel?

I, for one, am glad that it is over with. Speaking as a person who has been fairly involved with the whole process over the past year, I'm looking forward to spending my energy in some other manner.

This doesn't mean that I am through with the whole process. Now comes a time when we, as a nation, will have the responsibility of holding Bush to his campaign promises.

The promises made on the campaign trail should not be left to blow free in the breeze and disperse. These "corner stones of candidacy" are the resumes that both Bush and Kerry presented to us, the American people, and they need to be held accountable for them.

As I write this, a great body of gray is hanging over Menomonie, and I hope that it is not a sign of coming indifference.

While this election did cut a gash through America, it has also sparked political interest in many people who showed little or no interest before. I pray that these individuals will not return to a state of apathy now that the floorshow is over.

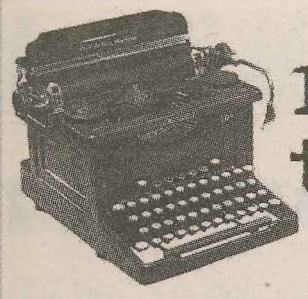
My last statement applies to myself as well. My interest started a couple of years ago when there was a discussion in one of my education courses about President Bush's No Child Left Behind Act. As we spoke of this I became very agitated. Actually this is a bit of an understatement, perhaps enraged is a better term?

I immediately went home and started researching the topic and was not happy with what I found. From that initial point I wasn't sure what I could do about this besides wait to vote in the next election. When the University of Wisconsin-Stout College Democrats formed last spring, I joined and the rest, as they say, is history.

From this point forward I will be watching Bush as well as the recounts that I am betting, from the past, will be happening now, the future. If this is not happening, then I will be much happier for it.

After the election, I believe our nation needs a much-deserved break, some time to relax. I don't think that there would be any problem at all with going on a little political "light-duty" for a bit.

Just don't forget that it is important to keep at least one eye on the winner from time-to-time.



Letters to the Editor

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Voting for myself

I have been listening to and watching all of the happenings with the election over the past couple of months just like everyone else in this country, however, rather than persuading me to get out and vote, all this hype has actually done the exact opposite. I am tired of being told who to vote for!! I was under the assumption that voting was a personal choice and that expressing that choice was my personal right, not a mandatory stop at the polls to make everyone else happy.

I am tired of being approached when walking to a class or down the street by crazy people waving signs plugging one candidate or another. I appreciate the Stoutonia's information, as it has been brought to my attention in an informative way, for the most part. After reading some of the articles I threw down the paper and turned to my computer to write this letter. I do not appreciate being told that I have no hopes, dreams, ambition, etcetera for not choosing to vote. Or that I should vote for the current president because it is the "right" thing to do. I was seriously considering not voting for the express purpose of making a point. I changed my mind however, and decided to vote, but not the way I have been told to for the past months.

Because I, being a human, used my own brain and decided that I, unlike the many people around here it seems, could vote the way that I wanted to and for reasons I believed in. So, I have done my civic duty, but I am glad that it will all be over tomorrow because I don't know how much more of the whining I could take.

My candidate should sell himself on the basis of his viewpoints and actions, not how many people will go out and harass me into voting for him. I chose who I chose and No one made my decision for me. I wonder how many other people can say the same.

Sincerely,
Darlene Fowler

In response to: "Why do we exist? (Hint: Cause)"

First, you write responses to Letters to the Editor which say the same things over and over - "We appreciate your letter, but..." Newspapers don't write responses to letters to the editor for a reason: Just printing them says, "We appreciate your letter."

Then you waste the staff editorial on critical letters you've been getting about such things are misspellings. It's ironic and a good hint of what you and your staff are doing wrong by the fact that there's an incorrect spelling in the editorial: "surounding".

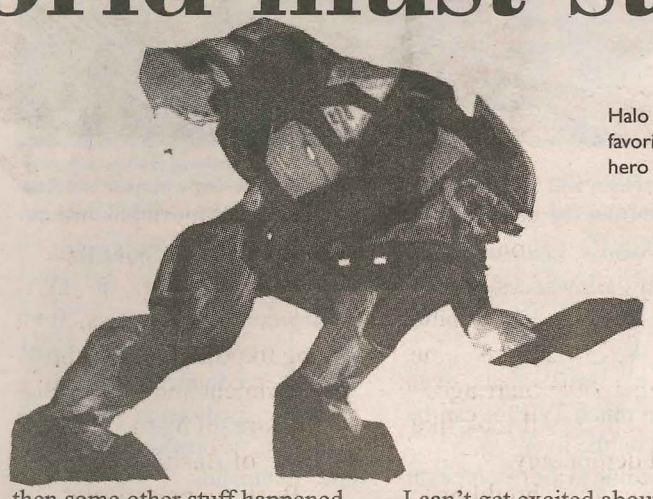
My advice: 1- Don't respond to letters to the editor in the paper - No one cares. 2- Don't waste a staff editorial on criticism that the paper deserves and needs. 3- Use spell check.

As a former member of the Stoutonia staff, I mean no ill will toward you or the rest of the staff. Hopefully this letter can be taken as helpful criticism.

Thanks.
Jeff Jackson
UW-Stout Graduate 2001

The world must stop on Nov. 9th

Matt Schubbe
Columnist



Halo 2 hits stores Nov. 9 and everyone's favorite 'shoot first, don't ask questions,' hero will be back on the job.

photo courtesy of bungie.net

I can't remember if I've ever brought this up in any of my previous articles, but I'm a pretty big video game nerd.

I'm one of those people who gets really obsessed with a game, so much so, that my life has to change because of my obsession. I won't go too deep into that, but lets just say that it almost cost me a girlfriend once.

With that being said, I urge that professors to cancel class on Nov 9. Why you ask? Well, for those who be lovin' the video games like me, you know that the ninth is when the long awaited release of Halo 2 occurs.

This game has been through so much to come out that we all deserve a day off to just enjoy it.

The date of Halo 2's release has been delayed and delayed some more. Then somebody leaked the French version and then some other stuff happened, but now the release of one of the most anticipated titles, not only for the X-Box, but for console games in general, is here.

Maybe I was thinking too small before when I said that just those of us on campus should close down. Schools across the country should close, since nobody of gaming age is going to come anyway. I'm sure a lot of the teachers will be playing, too. Maybe I'm getting a little ahead of myself.

I think I should say, before I go any further, I really suck at Halo. I know that I said that I love and obsessively play video games, and that's true, but I am really terrible at Halo.

Does that mean that I think it's a bad game, or that I can't get excited about it's release? No! In fact, I think this furthers my point that this game is important enough to stop the world from turning, because if someone who isn't even good at the game is going crazy about the sequel, you know the game will definitely rule.

So please, all professors who value the opinions of your students, cancel class on Nov. 9. If not for your students, for your own sake, because no one is going to want to learn when their thumbs are itching to push the buttons of a controller and slam some covenant alien scum back to the cosmos.

Pro-choice doesn't mean pro-abortion

Brian Legg
Columnist

I have a really difficult time understanding conservative ideology. How can someone be pro-life and pro-war at the same time? To do this, one must assume moral superiority in assessing the relative value of human life. I thought that was supposed to be left up to, well, you know who.

Who gets to live and who has to die? If a doctor performs an abortion, should he/she be put to death? Who takes responsibility for the death of innocent civilians as a result of war? Should they be put to death?

If you don't like abortion, don't have an abortion. If you don't like war, don't fight in one. It should be that simple, but obviously it is not, otherwise there would be no need for debate.

I, personally, take a pro-choice stance for a number of reasons.

One, I am a man and will never have to decide whether or not to have an abortion.

Two, I am not God, and I lack the ability/responsibility to judge another human's actions.

Three, if the pro-life message is as convincing as its followers believe it is, then given the choice, it should be a no-brainer. Pro-choice doesn't have to mean pro-abortion.

It really gets me when the same people who are so avidly pro-life are also so avidly pro-war and don't see a problem with it. If you are going to be pro-life then truly be pro-life, not selectively pro-life.

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When innocent civilians are killed in a war, they are considered casualties. This means they were killed in the pursuit of certain interests deemed worthy by the state.

In the case of Iraq, civilians were killed in our pursuit of spreading democracy or to protect our security, based on which justification you buy into.

Is it any different for a woman to decide she doesn't want to have a child? Are her interests less valid or important than an empowered administration's? In her case it is only one casualty instead of say anywhere from 10,000-100,000.

A recent report by a respected English medical journal estimated 100,000 civilian casualties since the start of the war.

If you think you can judge the relative value of human life, you should really question what you believe.

Who are we to judge right and wrong except for ourselves? We are but mere mortals subject to our own flaws and failures. Let he who is without sin cast the first stone.

Curing illnesses over the counter

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

Many people might think that cold weather is a prerequisite for illness. However, what often causes illness is contact with others who are sick.

Illnesses can strike any time during the year, so it is important to be well-informed about over-the-counter (OTC) medications and treating illnesses.

"We'll see different bunches of students with the same symptoms throughout the year," said JoAnn Decker, the senior clinical nurse specialist at the University of Wisconsin-Stout University Clinic. "We see colds all year around."

According to Decker, patients come in frequently for illness that can be treated with OTC medications.

When prescribing OTC medication to students, the clinic stresses the importance of following the instructions on the medicine package.

"Don't take anything over the [recommended dose]," said Decker. She said many who take OTC medicines will take more than the amount recommended on the package because the medicine doesn't appear to be relieving the symptoms.

Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

As the the cold and flu season approaches, students will be using more and more over-the-counter medications to counteract their symptoms. They are warned not to take more than a drug's recommended dosage.

"If you still have the symptoms after 15 minutes, don't take any more," said Decker. She says that medicines will also work differently depending on when or how often they are consumed.

"Taking regular meds [during the day] will help ward off the illness," said Decker.

She warns against taking entire daily allowances at once unless the medicine is formulated to last all day.

Decker says that even taking too much Tylenol can be very hard on the liver.

According to the resources at the University clinic, the overuse of nasal sprays aggravates conditions such as Sinusitis.

The safe use of OTC medications also varies from person to person due to allergies. Decker recommends taking a separate medication for each symptom, as opposed to "all-in-one" treatments.

"Patients need to be aware of all the different ingredients in a medication," said Decker. "If you have a headache and nasal congestion, you're better off taking both Advil and pseudoephedrine instead of taking a mixed medication."

"Most [OTC] medications are only symptom relievers," said Decker. OTC medicines suppress symptoms, but generally do not cure the illness.

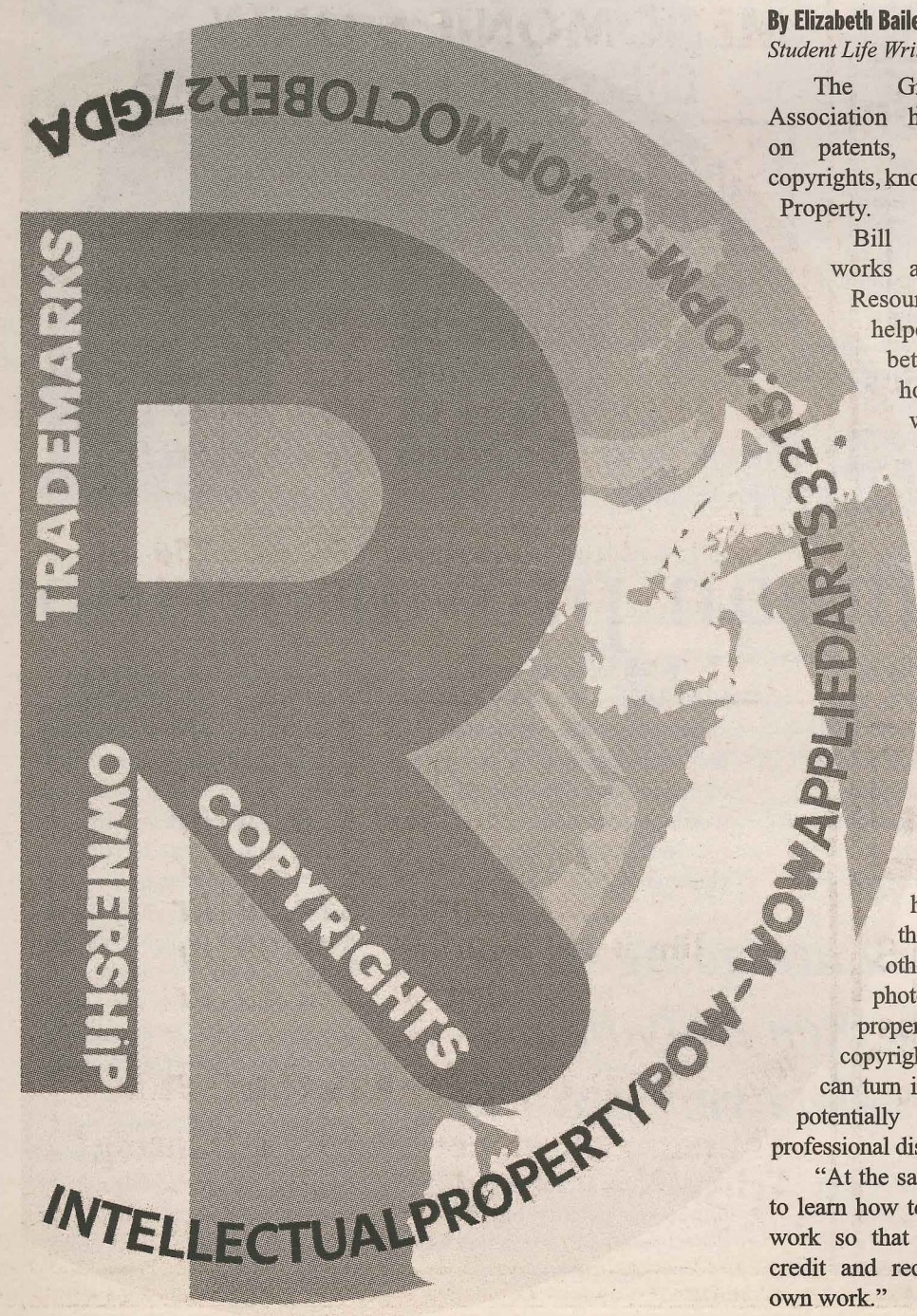
No medications should be taken with alcohol. Smoking is also counter-productive to medications. According to clinical resources, smoking further weakens the immune system, which can prolong the illness and make symptoms worse.

The University Clinic offers self-care guide handouts with information on how to effectively overcome illnesses such as the common cold, Bronchitis, Pharyngitis, Laryngitis, Strep Throat, Influenza, Mononucleosis, Sinusitis, etc.

Self-care information is also available online so that students who are ill can find treatment without visiting the University Clinic: http://www.uwstout.edu/studenthealth/self_care.html.

OTC medications can alleviate symptoms, but proper self-care is the most effective remedy for overcoming illness.

Patents, trademarks and copyrights discussed



By Elizabeth Bailey
Student Life Writer

The Graphic Design Association hosted a lecture on patents, trademarks and copyrights, known as Intellectual Property.

Bill Johnston, who works at the library in Resource Development, helped students to better understand how to protect their work from being used without permission.

"Designers have two basic things to worry about—different sides of the same coin," said Bill DeHoff, an associate professor and the advisor of GDA.

"First, we have to be sure that we are not using other people's images, photographs, etc; improperly. Infringing on copyright, even innocently, can turn into an ethical and potentially a financial and professional disaster.

"At the same time, we need to learn how to protect our own work so that we get financial credit and recognition for our own work."

A patent grants individuals the right to make, sell and use the idea without penalty, and with the right to take anyone to court whom unlawfully uses it. They are good for 20 years from the date of application.

"I'm not sure whether I should take comfort in this or not, but it seems that the rules and practices in establishing and protecting intellectual property have as many grey areas and are at times as whimsical as the rest of life," said DeHoff.

When 3M made 1.5 billion dollars for the invention of Post-It notes over the course of 20 years, it made people realize how a simple idea can make it possible for an individual to never have to work again. Coming up with that original idea is not as easy as it seems.

There is a database containing all of the existing patents, trademarks and copyrights at www.uspto.gov. It would be easier to hire someone to determine if a potential original idea is already in existence.

"I think the subject matter covered in the lecture was very helpful and valuable for us as designers to be aware of," said Jaclyn Adamek, a senior in graphic design and treasurer of GDA. "Copyright and other legal processes are not heavily covered in classes and this provided a well-needed supplement to things we deal with everyday."

Trademarks cover products for one year from the time of filing to use in interstate commerce. Chipotle is an example of restaurant design, meaning that no one can copy the same layout of the interior space of any Chipotle restaurant.

Copyrights give the designer the right to reproduce, distribute, prepare derivative works and perform or display some fixed form of expression. They are mainly used in the form of film, Web and print.

Students are welcome to visit Bill Johnston in the library for any questions concerning patents, trademarks and copyrights.

"I don't think many people realize the sources we have available on campus," said Adamek. "This lecture was helpful in that it opened the door to a resource to something that is very pertinent to our field."

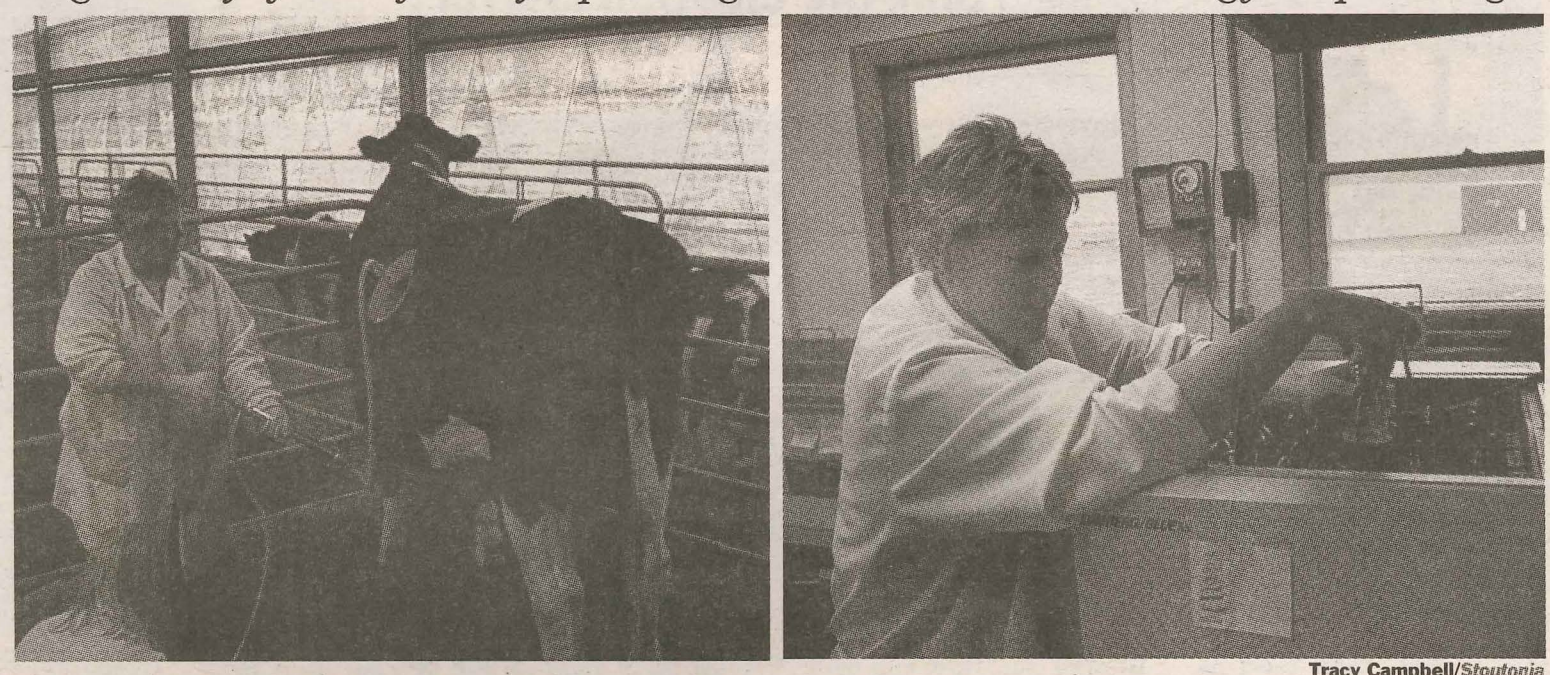
"Universities are supposed to foster innovation, yet we often don't emphasize the realities of what actually happens to innovation in terms of reaching the market place in a legal sense," said DeHoff. "We're lucky to have someone on staff who has long professional experience in this area.

"I've heard presentations on the topic in other places that were mind-numbingly dull. Through his choice of examples, Bill Johnston was able to make critical legal information interesting and even fun."

Marshfield agricultural research center studies cow digestion

Researchers observe the digestibility of cattle feeds by replicating the stomach and calculating fiber percentages

Tracy Campbell
Student Life Writer



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Lisa Krugner-Higby, a researcher from the University of Wisconsin-Madison agricultural research center, pumps rumen matter from the cow's fistula to test how much fiber has been digested. This helps researchers determine the best grain for farmers to feed to their cattle.

Last week I had the unique opportunity to visit the University of Wisconsin-Madison agricultural research station in Marshfield, Wis. One of the areas of research at the station is fiber digestibility of cattle feeds.

As an example, consider two varieties of grain containing the same amount of fiber; if one variety is easier for the cows to digest, it provides greater nourishment per pound and is therefore more cost efficient for the farmer. It is the job of the researchers to quantify how much of the cellulose in the feed is digestible.

To calculate the percentage of fiber that can be digested in the fodder, researchers must replicate the ruminal environment. The rumen is the largest chamber of the cow's stomach, where most of the digestion takes place.

In the rumen there exist acids and countless bacteria to help breakdown the tough cellulose that is the largest part of a bovine diet. The first step in making an imitation rumen is to remove a sample of a cow's rumen contents.

One would think that it would be easy enough to reach in through either of the two major orifices of a bovine and grab out some digestive juices. However, it is not so simple and consequently a special 'fistulated' cow is used.

A fistulated cow is one that has undergone surgery in which a passage leading into its rumen is made. A state veterinarian visits the farm, gives the cow local anesthesia, and makes an incision in its side all the way into the stomach chamber.

The fistula is sewn in and a cap is put on to keep the contents in and pathogens out. The whole procedure takes less than an hour and the animal is able to stand, fully conscious through the whole operation.

When I inquired whether the cattle were hurt by the fistulae, Lisa Krugner-Higby, one of the researchers working on the project, replied, "It doesn't seem to bother the cows at all. They just stand there."

To remove rumen matter, a pump is inserted into the fistula. The fluid is pumped into a thermos to keep it at approximately 39 degrees C, the body temperature of a cow. They need to get the sample back into the lab within about 20 minutes or the bacteria begin to die from exposure to too much oxygen.

Once in the lab, the extracted fluid is added to oxygen-free chambers along with a measured quantity of feed. The chambers are incubated at 39 degrees C for a certain time interval. After that time, researchers can assess how much fiber was broken down by the bacteria. These data are useful in determining the best grain for farmers to give to their cattle.

Scientific research such as this is done by universities all around the state, including here at University of Wisconsin-Stout. I would like to encourage students with an interest in science to read more at http://www.cals.wisc.edu/research/stations/index.html or http://rtc.uwstout.edu; take a visit to the Student Research Conference in spring, or to do some research of their own.

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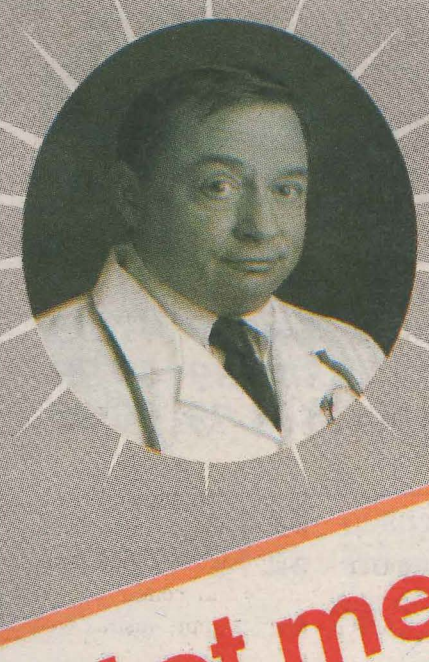

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The 411

November 4 to November 11

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>Music: Much the Same, Rec Center, 8 p.m., free.
>Music: Torn, Blind Munchies Coffeehouse, 7 p.m., free.

Friday, Nov. 5
>Art Feast Fundraiser, Grazi's, 5-10 p.m., $15.
>Masques of Beauty and the Beast, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., $7 students.
>Music: Reveling, The Stone's Throw.
>Music: Folk Underground, Acoustic Café, 8 p.m.
>Hockey vs. Concordia-Moorhead, 7:30 p.m. at the Dunn County Rec. Court.

Saturday, Nov. 6
>Music: Twin Cities Seven, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $12 students.
Music: Jack Brass Band The Stone's Throw.
>Mel Gibson & the Pants, Digitata, Post-Mordem Grinner, The Stones Throw 9:30 p.m., $3.
>Football vs. Eau Claire, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 7
No events scheduled

Monday, Nov. 8
No events scheduled

Tuesday, Nov. 9
>Film: The Animation Show, AA 210, 7 p.m., free.

Wednesday, Nov. 10
No events scheduled

Thursday, Nov. 11
>Music: Pat Mcurdy, The Stone's Throw.
>Thursday Night Out, Rec. Center, 8 p.m.

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Professors show their true colors

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

I'm in a bit of a tough spot. To discuss/review the work of one's instructors is daunting to say the least. To go from discussing another student's work in class or a show at the Acoustic to actually reviewing a faculty show is intimidating.

Currently showing in the Furlong Gallery is the Department of Art and Design Faculty Exhibit. The event will last until November 12 and is a very welcome opportunity to observe what the Art and Design faculty are capable of.

Each year I look forward to this show much in the same way that a child anticipates Christmas. Also, like Christmas, some years have been better than others.

The professorate of the art and design department are just as human as the rest of us. More than once I have been down right confused as to why some of the work shown was, in fact, being displayed when other pieces in the show so obviously overshadowed it.

That said, I have found myself to be pleasantly surprised that this is not the case within this semester's exhibit.

No single effort stands out as existing in either a state of superiority or incompetence; that is not to be taken as meaning that all efforts within the show are equal. Merely that the show itself exists in a state of ease.

The arrangement within the space is such that no work will grab hold of your attention more than another, which allows for a very enjoyable and stable environment for viewing.

I stated that not all work within the show is on equal standing with its peers and from my perspective this is true. When discussing the quality of an individual work there are a great many intangible elements that can be considered. At the most basic level is formal elements of line, composition, use of color and a cornucopia of others.

None of these rudimentary elements, I feel, need to be brought into question with respect to any example in the event. The persons exhibiting are, after all, our instructors and besides that fact, I could find no flaw in regard to the formal elements of their art.

After the question of formal elements come the concepts behind the various works. There are times when discussing the concepts behind only one work can seem as tangible as trying to put a flavor to a mid-March Thursday afternoon. From here on out I will discuss those pieces that I find most agreeable to my own pallet.

Bryan Ritchie's contribution to the show goes by the moniker of "untitled" and is a medium-scale charcoal drawing on paper. Here the viewer is privileged to Ritchie's careful, delicate use of a very classical medium to depict a subject that is in no way classical.

He has very subtly rendered a disembodied pig's cranium in a very angular fashion with an almost whimsical cloud of flies attempting to lift the object from the ground.

While many inferences could be ascertained from the subjects in this image, the most intriguing aspect of Ritchie's work is his careful attention to detail and the playfulness of the imagery. To say that such a visage could have been very grotesque would be an understatement. But in this artist's careful hands the image becomes inviting and intriguing.

Next on my list is the artwork labeled "4065 Fortunes" by tetonic industries (Lars Jerlach and Helen Stringfellow). The piece consists of 12 half-globes, clear in nature, and each filled with common fortune cookies.

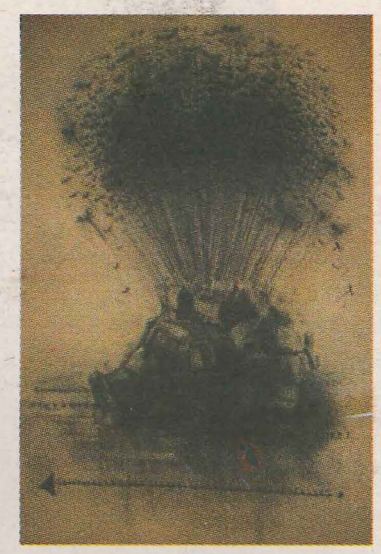
Adhered to the ground next to each of these is a date somewhere in the future. Some of these are relatively close to our own time but the majority of the dates look forward to times that are nearly incomprehensible.

There is an air of comedy to the work of tetonic industries. The simple thought that a person could gain insight into these far-off times simply by cracking open all of the cookies within a specific globe is both thought-provoking and amusing in the same breath.

The last of the individual works I will speak of is by one of the newest additions to the staff in the art and design department. For me it is unusual to see work displayed by an art historian but Rebecca Dalvesco definitely deserves her place next to the rest of the faculty.

Her's is a Prismacolor work on paper titled "Plato without Solids." My own knowledge of Plato's philosophies is extremely lacking and because of this I am at a bit of a loss as to what the title infers. Standing on its own, the work is quite and meditative.

Amorphous entities float in a sea of black that is very inviting. The shapes invite further inspection into her mark-making which, in turn, is reminiscent of the marks made by a printmaker Dalvesco's BFA was in printmaking.



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(above top) "untitled" by Bryan Ritchie contains flies trying to lift a pigs cranium. (above bottom) "4065 Fortunes," by tetonic industries, contains thousands of fortune cookies.

Political play is perfect for a political year

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

When asked why the Stout theater group is performing Henrik Ibsen's "An Enemy of the People," director James Miller is the man with the answer.

"Every theater program, whether it puts on one play a year or twelve, at some point has to do an Ibsen play. It's like part of your birthright; you've got to do Ibsen just like you've got to do Shakespeare or Sophocles. Shakespeare as one of the great gods of theater," said Miller.

"Also," he continues, "it just felt like it was time we made a return to Ibsen. One of the first plays I put on here was Ibsen's 'A Doll's House.' That was almost 25 years ago. After that I laid off Ibsen for a while until 1995 when we put on 'The Master Builder.' So it's been about a decade since I've done an Ibsen play, so we're definitely due."

Miller goes on to explain that this particular Ibsen play was chosen because of its accessibility and it's suitability for a political year.

"It's about the media's relationship to power, the media being manipulated by money, by business interests and by politicians," Miller said. "It's a nineteenth century play, but its themes apply just as well to the twenty-first century."

According to Miller, Ibsen reminds everyone that going along isn't a sign of their intellectual maturity.

"It's not really what we become when we grow up. Ibsen's a very old guy with white sideburns who advocates change, challenge, investigating and not accepting and once in a while we need to tuck a little bit of Ibsen into everyone's four years' experience, because it's a good part of a broad education."

The play concerns a town in Norway whose economy is dependent on a recently constructed installation of baths.

Kyle Kingston/*Stoutonia*

Two of the actors in the upcoming play, "Enemy of the People", performed at the University of Wisconsin-Stout; prepare for their debut.

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Monopoly controls airwaves

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

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Clear Channel started with a man that bought a radio station on a whim and has grown into a multi-billions dollar conglomerate that controlls a very large percentage of the radio airwaves and concert venues.

Ah! The clamor of drunken group karaoke surrounds me. The noise is such that even if I had been up for the last thirty-six hours, which I have been, I couldn't possibly sleep. In some ways though this is wonderful; it is humorous. This far outweighs anything that major radio could produce at this, or any, hour. This has an original spirit. This is the essence of the great energy that is music.

This made me think, and while I thought I realized that this essence is a fleeting aspect of modern radio. The local flavor of most broadcasting is becoming cardboard cutouts of some standard of radio devised in some place unbeknownst to most.

Across the country local dic jockeys are being substituted by some syndicated voice recorded in some far away place with no real idea of the domestic interests of the common listener.

Clear Channel Communications (CCC) can be thanked for this. CCC is a Texas based media conglomerate which owns approximately 1,200 radio stations nation wide. CCC controls 247 out of America's top 250 listening areas, which means pretty much all radio the common listener hears is owned and operated by CCC. What's really interesting is that the one entity that dominates the majority of what we hear is run more by business people than those with actual radio experience.

Recall, if memory allows, radio from the early-to-mid 90s. Consider the diversity in play lists from the era. This is back in the day of the true grassroots DJ's who would spin the popular responses from consumer research, as well as some choice picks of their own flavor. This is when the highest five of the Top 40 got somewhere around 50 to 60 spins a week.

Now 60 may seem like a lot, but its nothing in comparison to more recent averages of 70 to 90 spins a week. Admittedly these are the top five songs in the country, but there's no quicker way to kill a hit than to overplay it. To CCC this doesn't matter. CCC doesn't care about music.

Board members of CCC seldom, if ever, even mention pop culture in conversations. Even the CEO of the radio-division claims he prefers talk radio over rock, rap, top 40, etc. What a concept: build a massive company to distribute music to the masses, but leave control of it in the hands of non-music lovers. Sounds like we loose that one. But here's the real kicker; I'll give you one guess as to what CCC does care about. Time's up. Did you get it? Money.

Sure, it is a business, but it's the music business; the emphasis should be music, not profit.

"We're not in the business of providing news and information. We're not in the business of providing well-researched music. We're simply in the business of selling our customers products," claimed the founder of CCC in a 2003 issue of Fortune.

"I hate CCC," said Matt Havlik, a senior majoring in general business administration.

Havlik is not alone in this sentiment. He is one of many who truly appreciate music for the sake of music.

Now what is the definitive experience for the true music lovers? The live show, naturally. But have no fear for CCC has made their mark here, too.

In 2000, CCC paid a whopping $4.4 billion, that's billion with a B, for SFX, the largest concert promoter in the nation. On top of that they also paid $776 million for Ackerly Group, a major billboard company. So just to recap, CCC

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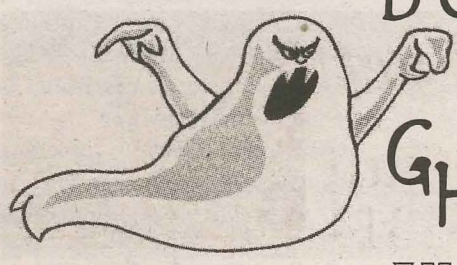

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Monopoly/ *controling radio play*

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owns the radio stations, does the concert promoting and owns the means of advertising. They have everything you need all under one roof, just like any good old-fashioned monopoly would.

The fact that CCC owns the nation's largest promoter gives them even more power. Booking a tour with a competitor promoter could mean a revocation of air play. The problem here is that with them owning such a large portion of the market, challenging CCC could mean radio silence at a practically nation-wide basis.

Recently such an occurrence was presented to a jury trial by a Denver competitor. The ruling, which included bands such as Puddle of Mudd, Orgy and the Tattoo the Earth Tour, found CCC in violation of illegally suppressing air time of bands that used a competitor.

when an avid music aficionado has the privilege of catching a good show, the option of buying a recording of that particular event immediately after the event. that was the case until CCC bought the exclusive rights to the patent and yet again totally and completely dominating another aspect of the industry.

"It isn't right that someone can suppress artists' creative freedom like that," claims sophomore Ryan Anderson. Many true fans would be ecstatic to have the chance to own an original and ever so rare addition to their collection, but now the opportunity to do so is. Artists now feel that with CCC in control there will be less money and fewer opportunities to benefit from such an innovation.

Such things are killing the music industry as we know it. Music is supposed to be an art form, a means of expression. CCC acts in ways to stifle this expression. But it doesn't have to be that way. Wisconsin Democratic Senator Russ Feingold introduced the "Competition in Radio and Concert Industries Act."

The goal of this bill is to help undo the damage done by anti-competitive behavior that resulted from the 1996 Telecommunications Act that started the CCC Regime.

Artists and fans alike do not have to bow down to the demands of one colossal company. Drop by http://www.fcc.gov to find info about monopolistic behavior and anti-competitive activity.

A citizen's congressional representative may also provide some help if one felt as if they had witnessed any type of such behavior. And If CCC cannot silence the drunkards in the rooms surrounding me; they can't silence the artists who speak to our souls.

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Play /*Ibsen play is long overdue at Stout*

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When Dr. Thomas Stockmann, the medical officer of the town baths, discovers the baths are polluted, he alerts the town government to the problem, hoping they will see the necessity of fixing the baths. Unfortunately, Stockmann's news receives a less than positive response.

The chairman of the baths committee, Stockmann's brother, is immediately at odds with Stockmann. Fixing the baths is a major political and economic headache, and the chairman sees nothing wrong with keeping the public ignorant of the baths' dangers.

Stockmann is outraged, and tries to alert the public through the town's newspaper. The paper, at first, is quite receptive to Stockmann, hoping to use him to stir up controversy and disrupt the town's government. The paper's endorsement of Stockmann quickly collapses under governmental pressure, and soon they too turn against him.

"It's an amazing play," says Nathan Reed, who plays Dr. Stockmann in the university's production. "I read the script before I auditioned, and I just fell in love with this story. You have all these wishy-washy people who don't really know who they are or what they stand for, and there's this one man, Dr. Stockmann, who makes a stand for what he believes in, and I admire that. Even when everybody turns against him, he's still the man he says he is, trying to do the right thing."

Volunteering for the play requires a great deal of commitment from the students. Every night of the week becomes devoted to the play. And since there are very few scenes in which Dr. Stockmann does not appear, the demand on Reed is particularly heavy.

"The part really is a lot of work," Reed conceded, "but it's worth it. Right now we're just in the stage of getting done with our blocking, and we're focusing on memorizing our lines. We have two weeks to be off book. It's a little intimidating, but after a while, this," he indicates the script in his hand, "becomes your Bible. You live by this."

Since there are no theater or acting majors at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, everyone involved with the play is a volunteer. There were a variety of reasons offered for volunteering, even with the tremendous commitment of time and energy involved.

"Simply put, theater rocks," said Theresa Collis, who plays Stockmann's daughter. Acknowledging the demands of the program, she says, "Between this and homework, I have no time. It's every night until about ten, Mondays through Fridays, but it's awesome. It's fun. And, I'll be honest, there's a huge ego boost. Not necessarily the fact that you're on stage, though that's a rush too, but up to a month afterwards people come up to you and say things like, 'Hey, you were in that show, and you were great.'"

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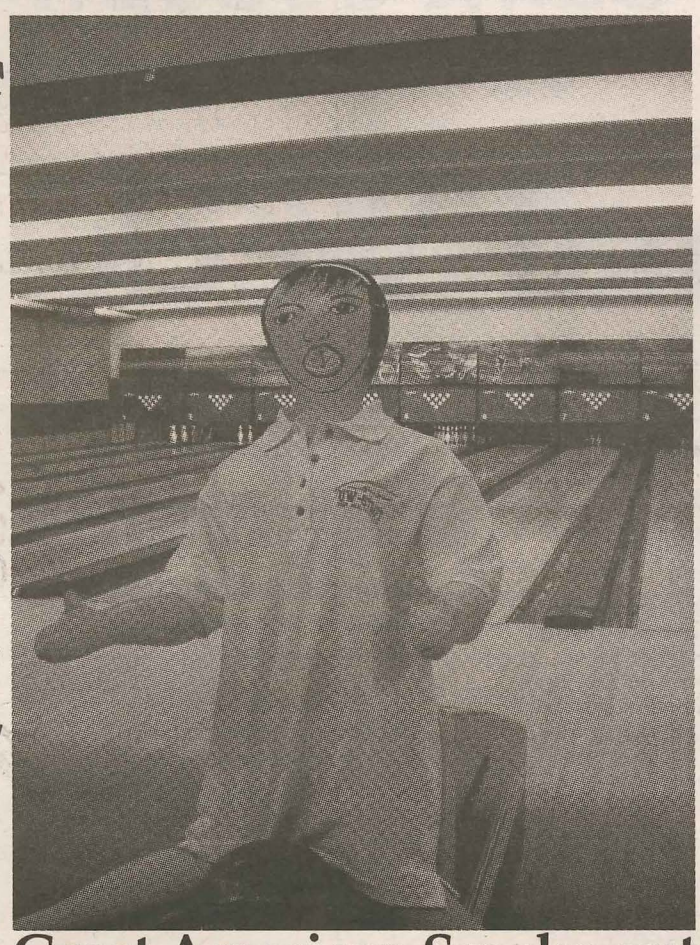

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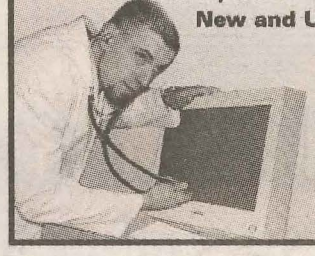

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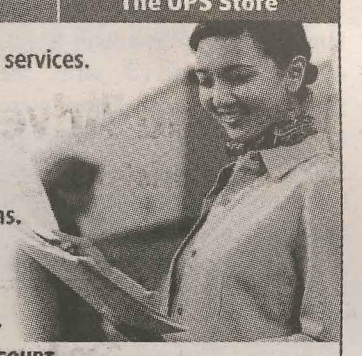

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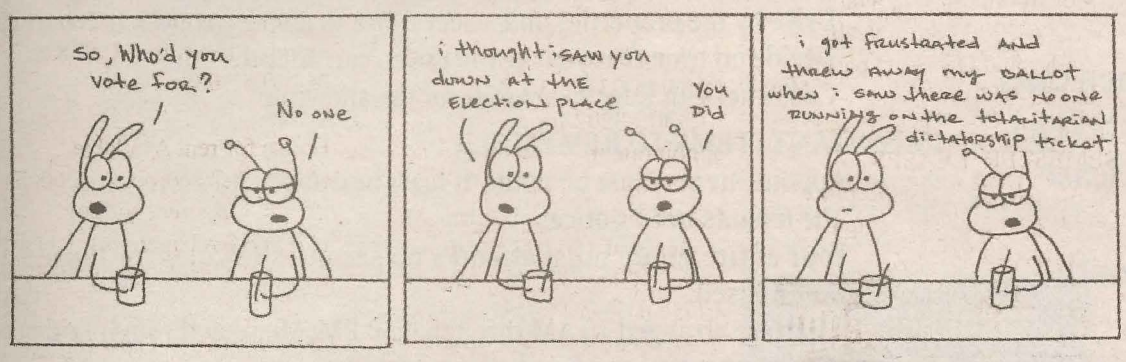

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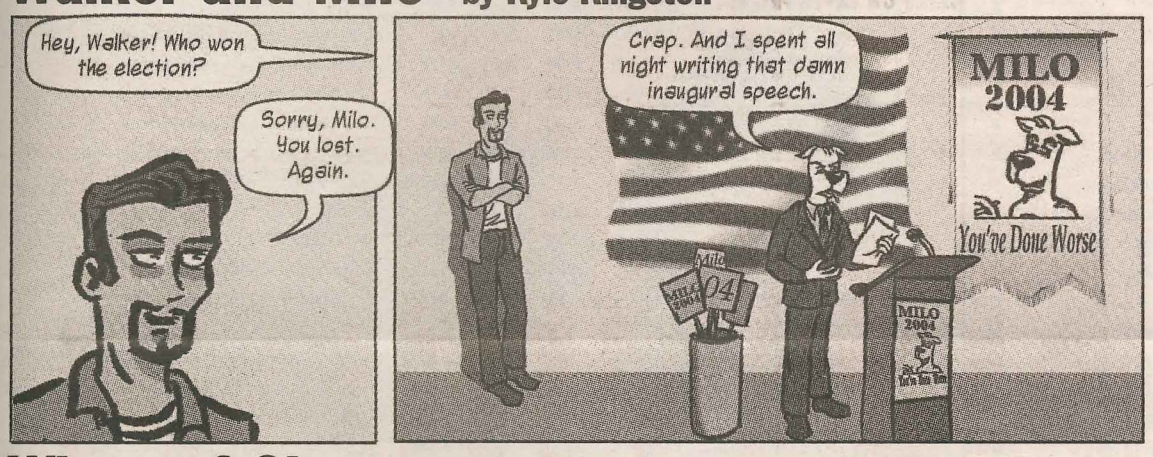

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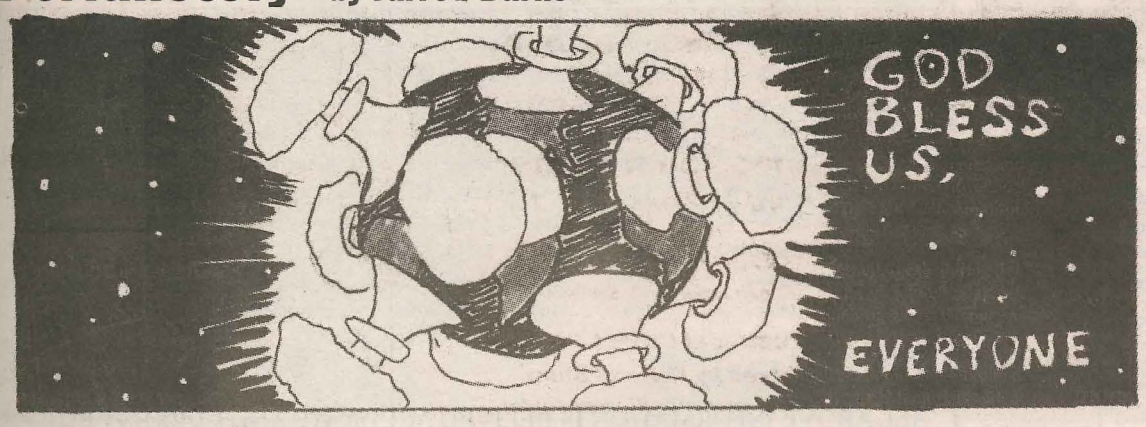

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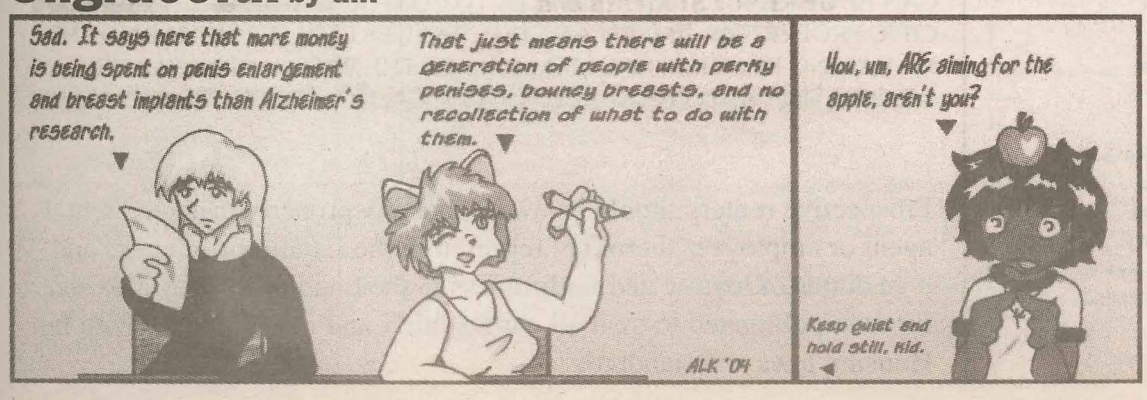

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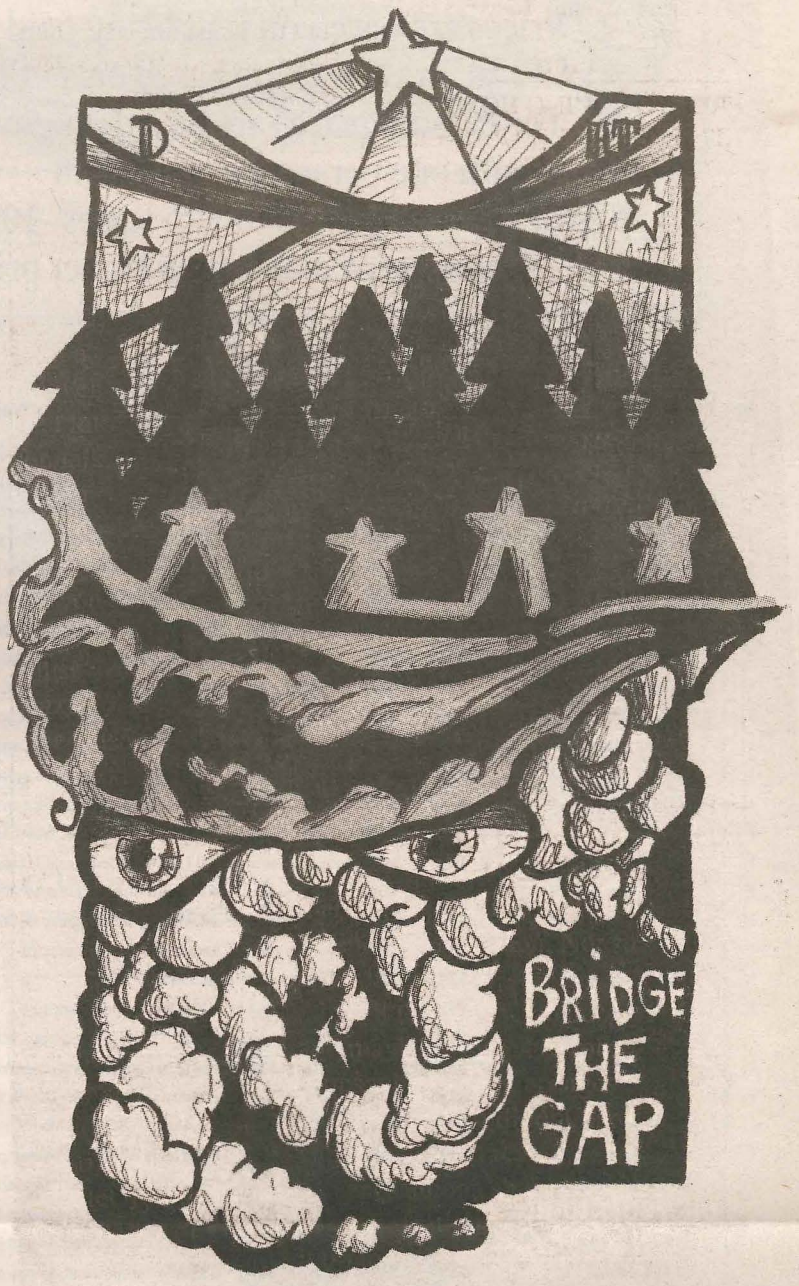

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1		147 1/2 Main St #7	$240	$240	n/a	n/a	Util inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
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2	1	1221 1/2 7th St.	$440	$220	n/a	n/a	Includes heat, W/S/G, hot water, excellent loc.	D
2	1	113 _ Main St. #3	$470	$235	n/a	n/a	Inc WSG,Trash,n/p Downtown Location	9
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2	1	414 1/2 12th Ave	$430	$215	$510	$255	Upstairs apt xlose to campus	D
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4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
4	1	921 Main St #1	$740	$185	$86	$215	parking and convenient location	4
4	1	121 12th Ave. W.	$900	$225	$1030	$258	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	1.5	121 1/2 12th Ave.W.	$900	$225	$1000	$250	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	2	1721 7th St.	$1120	$280	n/a	n/a	Includes Util. WASHER/DRYER, Parking	H
4	2	1319 - 8th St.	$775	$194	$915	$244	Excellent location/parking/ lg. rooms	H
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #1	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #4	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #5	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #7	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$980	$245	$1130	$283	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1	915 Main St	$780	$195	$910	$228	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$980	$245	$1200	$300	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	2	602 12th Ave.	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, gas heat Wash/Dry	D
4	2	1415 8th Street	$1000	$250	$1150	$288	Upgraded recently,great location,parking,W/D	D
4	2	1317 8th Street	$1040	$260	$1180	$295	Washer/Dryer, Deck, good location	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1420	$355	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$1,110	$278	$1310	$328	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$700	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
2		205 17th Ave W A	$1000	$250	$1140	$285	Great location, close to campus	4
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	2	1115 17th Ave.	$750	$150	$960	$192	Very large rooms/WashDry hook-up	H
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	good location, Wash/Dry	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	$1150	$230	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$1000	$200	$1160	$232	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. C	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #1	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	320 Fryklund Dr. #2	$800	$160	$970	$194	Large with family room/ washer dryer	D
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$900	$180	$1110	$220	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1803 7th St	$1075	$215	$1275	$255	Washer/Dryer/parking/good location	D
5	2	2303 3rd St.	$1025	$205	$1225	$245	Washer-Dryer/ very nice inside/ large rooms	H
5	2	1521 8th St.	$1075	$215	$1250	$250	House / Large Rooms / good location	H
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1150	$230	$1325	$265	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	1708 6th St A	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2	1708 6th St B	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2.5	1502 - 7th St.	$1050	$175	$1260	$210	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/new siding	H
6	2	1402 - 8th St.	$600	$100	$690	$115	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/good layout	H
6	1.5	221 4th St.	$800	$134	$1020	$170	North Campus, gas heat, Wash/dry	D
6	2	415 - 13th Ave.W.	$1050	$175	$1250	$209	Modern house/very large rooms/good location	H
6	2+	1415 1/2 8th Street	$1560	$260	$1750	$292	Fabulous new construction, Wash/Dry	D
6	2	115 17th Av W	$1260	$210	$1430	$239	House,Location,wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave C	$1675	$280	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1620	$270	$1840	$307	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave A	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	221 4th St W	$800	$134	$980	$163	North end of campus,Wash/Dry	H
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1400	$200	$1625	$233	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	1321 2nd St. W.	$1575	$225	$1775	$254	Large / 2 living rooms / location	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1575	$225	$1800	$258	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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Overcoming boredom: what to do

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

As the winter season approaches, some students may be looking for a different way to stay in shape, while some students may be looking for new activities to fill the now short and cold days.

The Sports & Fitness Center is well known for its work out facilities, climbing wall, intramural and group fitness instruction, but the department has much more to offer to both students and the community. All of these lesser-known activities and services are free to students who present their student ID.

There is a pool located on the lower level of the Sports & Fitness Center. It is free for students to use and is a great way to relax and get a total body workout.

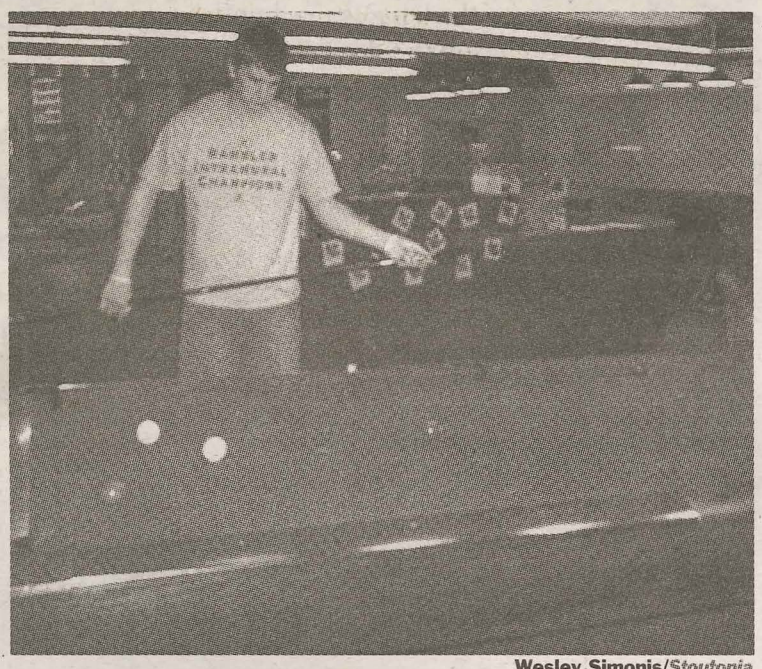
The pool offers swimming lessons and has always has a lifeguard on duty. It is open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Other pool hours are 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday its hours are 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., with it also being open noon to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Students can enjoy both open swim and lap swimming during this time. The pool will being repainted and updated in the near future.

Besides having group fitness in the west gym, it is also free for students to play basketball. Basketballs can be checked out for free at the Health & Fitness Center.



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Shooting pool is just one of the many activities that students can participate in. Basketball or running in the MPR are other options.

The gym may be used for shooting hoops whenever there is not an event scheduled.

For more information about gym times, contact the Health & Fitness Center at extension 1378.

Racquetball can be a good cardiovascular work-out, and is a good way to workout with a friend. Courts are open for anyone to use. Racquets, balls and goggles can be checked out at the Intramural Desk and the courts are open as long as there isn't a class in them. For more information or reservations for courts, call the intramural desk at extension 1392.

For those who like wide open spaces the multipurpose room (MPR) has recently reopened with a brand new floor.

The MPR includes an indoor track and several multi-purpose courts and fields.

The courts can be divided with retractable walls, allowing several sports to be played at one time. The Intramural desk has equipment that can be checked out, but students can also bring their own. To find out when the MPR is open contact the intramural desk.

The Rec Center is also part of University Recreation, but it is located in the lower-level of the Student Center across from the Pawn. The Rec Center offers bowling, pool and air hockey.

The Rec center has just begun new morning lounge hours from 8:30 a.m. to noon, featuring new lounge furniture and a flat screen TV.

During this time, students can play pool, watch TV or just hang out. The Rec Center also features Thursday Night Out (TNO). This includes free bowling, billiards and chances for free food. For more information, contact the Rec Center Desk at extension 1611.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Senior Carrie Schrank scored what could have been one of the most important goals in her career with the Blue Devils.

With the game tied at one with the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Schrank had a chance to give the Blue Devils the lead with a free kick on the Pioneers.

Schrank took advantage of the kick putting it past the Pioneer goalie and giving the Blue Devils a 2-1 lead.

UW-Stout held on from there, giving the Blue Devils their best ever finish in the conference standing. With a record of 13-2-2 the Blue Devils locked in second place in the conference coming in just behind the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Her efforts have also earned her WIAC player of the week.

The Facts:
Senior
Reedsburg, Wis.
Art

Schrank scored a goal on a free kick against UW-Platteville to carry the Blue Devils to a 2-1 victory

Carrie Schrank
Soccer

Are you feeling a draft?

Army recruiters can't fill their quotas. Re-enlistments are plummeting. Soldiers are being forced to stay past their contracted time.

Meanwhile, Iraq is a quagmire that's only going to get worse.

With America's armed forces already stretched to the breaking point in Iraq and Afghanistan, where are tomorrow's troops going to come from?

As college students today, we ought to seriously consider that question.

Oh yes, President Bush insists he won't bring back the draft. But remember: this is the same president who swore that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction. That Saddam was linked to 9/11. And that Iraqis would welcome us with open arms. He was dead wrong every time.

With George Bush stubbornly determined to go it alone, our allies won't join us. American troops will still be 90 percent of the "coalition." And 90 percent of its dead and wounded.

And the volunteer military will be a casualty of war.

So unless you like the idea of graduate school in Fallujah, we need to pay careful attention to what our president is saying, versus what it really means.

Now do you feel that draft?

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(4-3)

The football team won 31-21 against La Crosse on Oct. 30.

Next Game:
Nov 6. hosting Eau Claire

Volleyball
(28-4)

The volleyball team blanked Oshkosh 3-0.
Next Game:
Nov. 5 against Platteville
(WIAC semi-final match)

Hockey
(1-0-1)

The hockey team beat Marian College 6-4 and tied Lawrence College 3-3.
Next Match:
Nov. 5 hosting Concordia-Moorhead

Soccer
(13-2-2)

The soccer team defeated Platteville 2-1.
Next Match:
Nov. 5 at Stevens Point
(WIAC championships)

Standings
1. Stevens Point
2. **Stout**
3. Oshkosh
4. River Falls
5. La Crosse
6. Whitewater
7. Eau Claire
8. Platteville
9. Superior

Cross Country

WIAC Championships:
Men: 8th Women: 7th

Hockey shooting for goals

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Soon the lakes will be freezing and the snow will be falling. This means its time for the University of Wisconsin-Stout to unleash its hockey team.

The Blue Devil hockey team started off the season with a two game home stand at the Dunn County ice arena.

The first game was last Friday when the Blue Devils played Marian College and won 6-4.

Due to unusual humidity outside, the entire arena was filled with a thick fog, making it difficult to see play.

The Blue Devils and Sabers went back and forth in taking the lead, until the third period when the Blue Devils took over and scored three goals to secure the win. The Blue Devils out shot the sabers 38-18.

The second game for the team was on Saturday against Lawrence University.

With the game tied at two in the middle of the second period the Vikings scored a goal taking a one point advantage.

It looked as if it would be the first loss for the Blue Devils but with only four seconds left sophomore Andrew Stearns knocked in a goal to tie the game at three.

"We have a young team this year with only two seniors and eight juniors," said senior Jacob Hemmah.

The UW-Stout team has many new players this season. Look for the lines to be mixed with veterans and new players.

This is the ninth season that Terry Watkins has been the head coach. Although his team is full of young talent he knows that certain players will be missed.

"Jeff Dotson our goal tender for last four year has moved on and is going to be hard to replace," said Watkins.

Dotson was one of the Blue Devils biggest assets last season, and has become a goalie in the NHL system. Tim Elde will be taking his place.

The team lost six forwards from last season, so players are going to have step up to fill those spots.

"We have a young team this year, but the players that we got in the off season have tremendous talent and are going to help us throughout the season," said senior Kory Mortel.

The team did well last year, posting a record of 14-10-3. Leadership is going to be a key factor for the Blue Devils this season with a young team.

"River Falls and St. Norbert are going to be our biggest competitors this season and we hope to battle them for the top spot in the conference," said Hemmah.

The next game is this Friday November 5 at 7:30 p.m. when UW-Stout will be hosting Concordia-Moorehead.

Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

The UW-Stout hockey team began its season with two home matches. In the first match the Blue Devils defeated Marian 6-4. In the second match, the team tied Lawrence 3-3.

Blue Devils defeat La Crosse 31-21

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

If there were any skeptics about the quality and drive of the Blue Devil football team, their words can be silenced. After losing three straight conference games, the University of Wisconsin-Stout pulled and upset over the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

"I was very proud of the way our guys stepped up and competed on Saturday," said head coach Todd Strop. "We had guys play through injuries and others step up and play for injured players that played a key role in our win."

With one of the top teams in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference coming to town, the team knew that getting a win would be an uphill battle.

The Eagles came into the game with a 3-1 record looking to stay at the top of the conference. The Blue Devils held a record of 3-3 and were stuck in the gutter of the WIAC.

Both teams stalled on their opening drives, but the Blue Devils attacked first.

Quarterback Nick Ohman threw a 46-yard reception to John Freeman. The pass landed the Blue Devils inside the Eagles 10-yard-line but the offense sputtered out and settled for a 19-yard field goal.

After a series of turnovers by both teams, the Blue Devils would strike again, this time all the way to the end zone.

Cornerback Tony Fitts picked off La Crosse quarterback Steve Tennies and stopped the Eagles drive.

Ohman led the UW-Stout offense on a 72-yard march, capping it off with a 6-yard touchdown toss to Sam Weber giving UW-Stout a 10-0 lead.

"Our defensive line did a great job getting pressure on the quarterback all game," said Fitts. "We didn't give him time to look up his second and third receivers, then it was just on the corners and safetys to do our assignments. The secondary as a whole had a great game."

The Eagles drove the ball again, but only answered with a field goal narrowing the gap to seven.

UW-Stout showed its determination by putting up another touchdown. Ohman hooked up with Matt Sprester for a 9-yard touchdown pass giving UW-Stout a 17-3 lead.

The Eagles answered with a touchdown before the half and narrowed the lead to seven at half time.

In the second half the Blue Devils appeared even stronger, scoring two touchdowns to only one Eagles field goal.

With the game clock winding down the Blue Devils held a 31-13 lead. The Eagles closed the gap to ten with a late touchdown but it wasn't enough to mount a comeback.

"After the game I was the most ecstatic I have ever been after any game," said Fitts. "I will never forget the feeling that I felt and the feeling in the atmosphere in the locker room after the game was over."

The Blue Devil fans also enjoyed this win, staying in the stadium and cheering the team on even after the game was over.

"Winning a game like this lets us know that we are better than our record shows," said Luke Rykal. "It got us back on the winning track and that is what's most important, after losing three in a row, we could have quit and we didn't, and I think that shows a lot about the character that we have on this team."

This win for the Blue Devils boosts their overall record to 4-3, but the team hopes it sets the pace for the rest of the season.

"Hopefully this win will jump start this team for the final two weeks of the season," said Strop. "This win should give us the confidence that if we execute we can beat anyone."

With only two games left the team hopes to win and let the seniors go out in style.

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Super Family to the Rescue

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International week encourages students to acknowledge diversity

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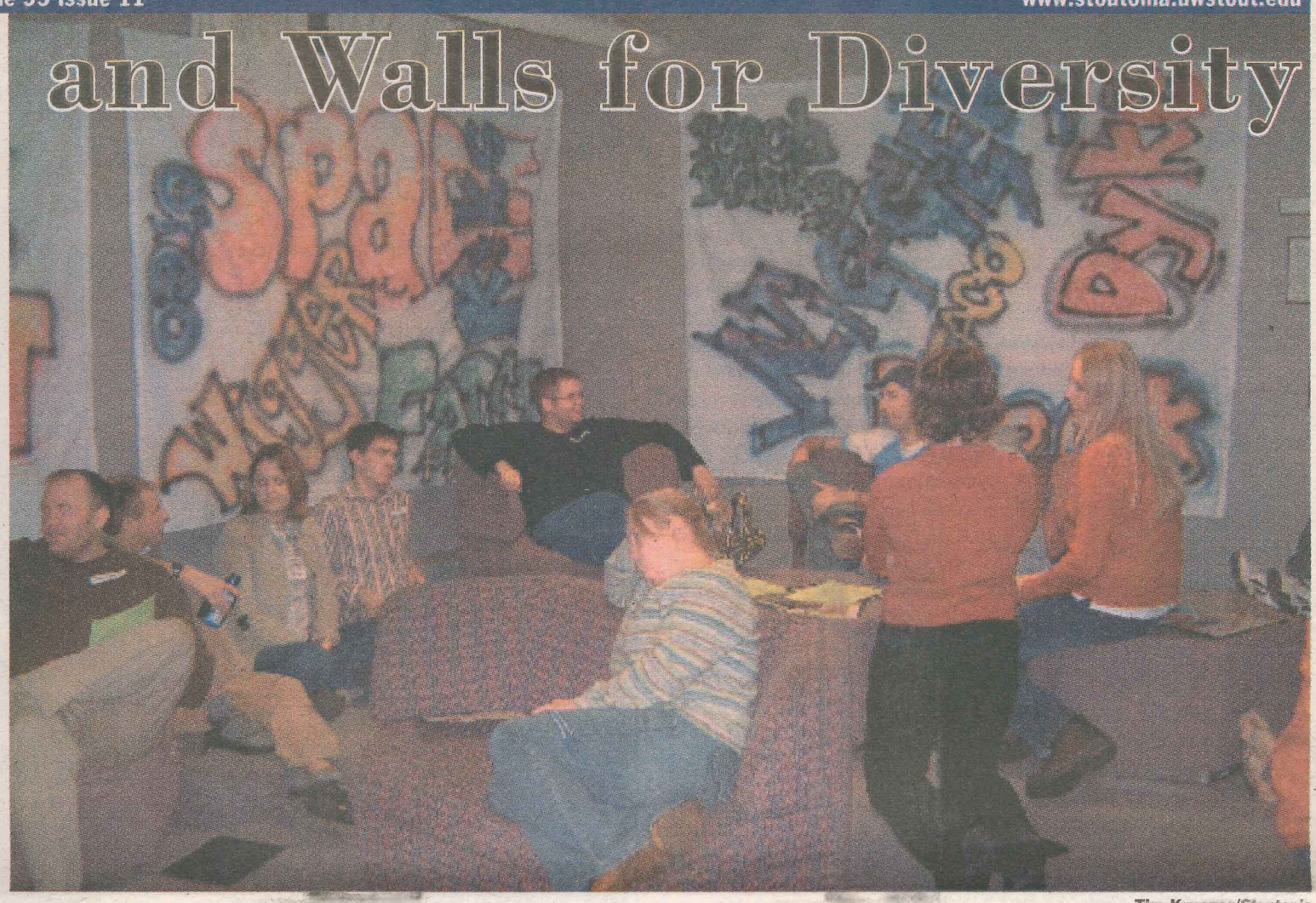
Boxes and Walls for Diversity



Tim Krueger/*Stoutonia*

Students wait to enter the Boxes and Walls exhibit presented by Housing and Residence Life. The one-hour-long experience gives students an idea of what it is like to live as a minority.

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Diversity is a word thrown around a lot, but with little deep explanation as to what is meant. Many campuses have diversity task-forces, and others have goals of increasing diversity. The University of Wisconsin-Stout does both.

In an effort to increase diversity education, Housing and Residence Life has completed the second consecutive year of Boxes and Walls.

Taking up six rooms in the basement of North Hall, each is decorated with a theme of a certain diversity topic. Students are brought through the exhibit as a sort of experience, moving to each room for a short presentation, taking about an hour to complete the entire experience.

The first room is centered around the idea of racial profiling in airport screening, especially of middle-eastern individuals in the wake of 9-11. Students are put in the shoes of a middle-eastern person, as they are interrogated about their travels, after simply trying to pass through a metal detector.

Subsequent rooms have similar skits or performances to give students a first-hand look at what minorities of various types face on a day-to-day basis.

Other rooms have themes of Hmong families, students with disabilities, men's and women's issues and African-Americans.

Each skit or performance brought up an issue facing the population featured. In the men's and women's issues room, a bake sale was being held for Bridge to Hope, selling items for $1 to men, and $0.73 to women, highlighting the fact that women make on average 73 percent of the salaries that men do.

At the end of the experience was a debriefing session, guided by a representative from Housing and Residence Life. In this session, to maintain a level of trust, and facilitate open communication, names were not recorded.

"I didn't think it was going to affect me this much; I am still shaking.... it as so real," said a female student.

The impression from the group immediately coming from the experience was one of awe and greater understanding. Many commented on how real the experience felt to them, and how they were somewhat better able to understand what the everyday lives of minorities is like.

"Honestly I had no idea what I was coming to," said a male student. "I didn't know what to expect, so it was very interesting."

At the center of the experience was the room designated for Lesbian, Gay, Transgender and Bi-sexual issues. This room is actually a touring exhibit from the Family Diversity Project of Amherst, Mass "Love Makes a Family."

"At a time in history when GLBT people continue to fight for basic human rights, including the right to legally marry, the right to have access to partner health benefits and the right to be adoptive and foster parents; 'Love Makes a Family' helps cut through all the political arguments right to the heart of the issue," said project sponsor Family Diversity Projects, Inc. in a press release.

This award-winning photo-text display features the stories of GLBT families, produced from in-depth interviews Peggy Gillespie of FDP conducted with each family member.

The stories are vivid, portraying the realities of prejudice, bias and intolerance that such

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Asst. Chancellor announced

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout announced Monday that Robert Heuermann is to be the new Assistant Chancellor for University Development.

The addition of Heuermann to UW-Stout will enhance the Chancellor's cabinet, as Heuermann will assist the university with a variety of functions and be a member of the Chancellor's Advisory Council and the Senior Administrative Leadership Team.

"I am extremely pleased that Bob has decided to join the team," said Chancellor Sorensen in a press release. "His experience in both public higher education and private foundations provide the kind of experience that will definitely benefit the Stout Foundation."

According to the press release, Heuermann's responsibilities on campus will be:

- Provide management and coordination of university development plans to enhance the image and understanding of the university and to increase support for the university in accordance with the mission and strategic plan of the campus.
- Provide advice, counsel and coordination for the Stout Foundation, which is a private, independent university fundraising organization; and its Board of Directors, committees and affiliated organizations.
- Plan, develop and implement approaches to solicit and acquire funds for the

courtesy of UW-Stout Public Relations

Heuermann comes to UW-Stout to be Assistant Chancellor.

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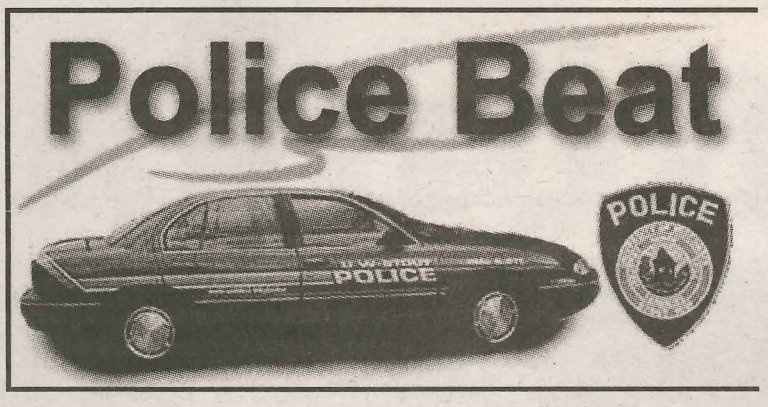
Sunny
High 39
Low 21

Sunday
Mostly Sunny
High 41
Low 26



By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Nov. 2 to Nov. 9. Second Offense Underage Drinking: 2, Disorderly Conduct: 1, Criminal Battery (Domestic): 1

Exit pollsters are annoying
On Nov. 2, two complaints were made to police about a student at the entrance of the Price Commons checking off student names in the campus directory as the students entered the Commons to vote. The two complainants believed this was an election poll violation. Police called the Dunn County Clerk and found that so long as the student did not interfere with voters and made it clear that students were not required to give her any information, she was not in violation of election law.

Be nice; its only a door
A Callahan Hall resident advisor reported to police on Nov. 5 that someone had vandalized the south side door going into Callahan Hall making the alarm sound. The damage to the door prevented the responding officer from locking the door. A maintenance staff member for JTC was contacted and said he would fix the door.

Why be mean to the doors?
An officer was locking Harvey Hall on Nov. 5 and found that a small door on the east side of Harvey Hall would not lock. The lock was "gummed up" and would not pull out on its own. With assistance, the officer was able to lock the door with great force. He advised that the lock needs to be repaired immediately if the building is to be secured with out eventually shattering the window in the door.

Mattress in the laundry room?
A student in CTKO hall reported on Nov. 6 that his futon mattress was stolen from the laundry room in the CKTO basement. The mattress was taken sometime during the night of Nov. 5. No other information is available at this time.

Stop being dumb drunks
An officer was dispatched on Nov. 7 regarding a canoe trailer on the sidewalk between the outdoor ropes course and soccer field. The Sports & Fitness manager reported that someone moved the trailer from the storage area. A second report from a Stout Adventures staff member reported slight damage to the trailer. The trailer was located halfway up the hill and was blocking the sidewalk. Officers moved the trailer off the sidewalk onto the grass. A Stout Adventures manager retrieved the trailer on Nov. 7.

NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

An additional section for the ISO 9000 internal quality auditor training will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Nov. 29-30. Registration begins at 7:45 a.m. The seminar will be held at UW-Stout, and will cost $389, including breakfast and afternoon snack.

Alcohol educator David Hellstrom will be bringing his "Eddy Talks! The Comedy and Drama of a Problem Drinker" presentation to UW-Stout. Hellstrom is a nationally-known speaker on health-related topics. Using a humor-filled approach, he packs useful information into a package that students will listen to. "The two topics I primarily educate on are alcohol and sex," said Hellstrom in a press release. "These are not boring and depressing topics for most college students, so why should the training be?"

Alberto Gonzales, legal counsel to the White House was nominated by President Bush on Wednesday to replace Attorney General John Ashcroft. Many democrats are proud of President Bush for his choice, as Gonzales is "less polarizing" than John Ashcroft, whom Gonzales is replacing.

President Bush announced this week that he plans to continue to pursue drilling in the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge to accomplish his energy plan. Most of the plan calls for increases in production initiatives.

Two female employees in Red Bank, Tenn. complained that they were being spanked by their 57-year-old male boss for errors on the job. Employees said that at the Tasty Flavors Sno Biz, before any spanking, owner Paul Eugene Levengood had them sign a statement that said: "I give Gene permission to bust my behind any way he sees fit."

Making sure that "friends don't let friends drive drunk," a man in Bloomington, Ind. shot out the tires of his friend's truck with a handgun to prevent him from driving intoxicated. The driver then became enraged and attacked his friend with a knife. Charges against both men are pending.

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families and individuals experience.

The traveling exhibit will be on display next week at a location on campus, yet to be determined. People interested in finding the exhibit should contact Kari Dawson, hall director of Wigen Hall at dawsonk@uwstout.edu to find the location.

Family Diversity Projects, Inc. can be reached at www.familydiv.org, or 413-256-0502.

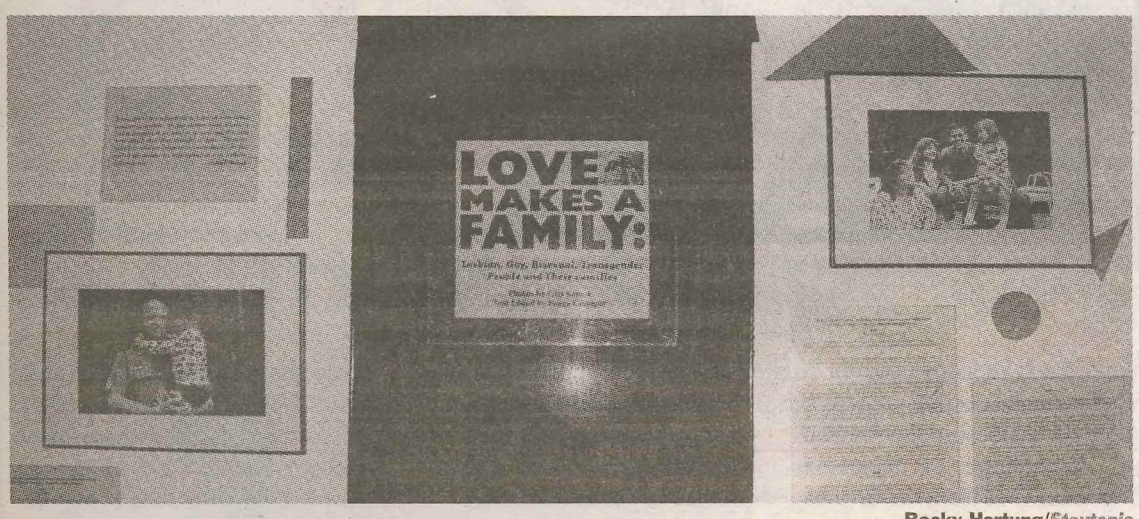
"I was really impressed with the work, time and effort that went into the project," said a female student.

The experience has served 200 students so far, with another 100 expected for the final night.

"Our main focus is to educate about diversity and make people aware of other lifestyles," said Emma Chambers, associate hall director of CKTO, and a member of the Diversity Committee.

Having such an experience can be very grounding for students, especially on campuses such as UW-Stout where minorities are even less of a percentage of the population than in other places.

"It was impressive to see when people have the courage to step out and say that they are gay," said a male student. "I was surprised with the courage for people to write openly about sexual assaults."



Becky Hartung/*Stoutonia*

The traveling Love Makes a Family exhibit from Family Diversity Projects, Inc. was a focal point of Boxes and Walls. The exhibit will also be displayed on campus next week.

Chancellor

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Heuermann will be leaving the Columbia St. Mary's foundation to come to UW-Stout, bringing with him a variety of experience in higher public education and funding of private foundations, helping further the mission of the Alumni Foundation and UW-Stout as a whole.

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Gaming management not just fun

Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Gamblers, get out your poker chips, the University of Wisconsin-Stout is offering you a first rate education in the fine art of gaming management.

UW-Stout is only the second school in the nation to offer a gaming management major to its students, the other being the University of Neveda-Las Vegas.

If you think about it though, it's been in the cards for Wisconsin for a while. You think Las Vegas, you think gambling. You think Wisconsin, you think…cheese? Okay, so maybe Wisconsin has never been a flashy state screaming tourism and entertainment, but isn't that the point?

By bringing the gaming management major to UW-Stout, we are making a statement. Our school was the first with the laptop initiative in the state, the first school ever to earn the Malcolm Baldridge award and now the first Midwestern school to incorporate gaming management in their program load.

Whether you agree with all of the school's firsts and prestigious awards, it still stands that we are a school of the future, one that produces results and one that stands above the competition.

Sure, when in doubt some students still choose UW-Stout, but it is very foreseeable that in the near future, students will be coming here with no doubt as to why they are coming.

The gaming management major opens up a whole field of options for students of all races and minorities and could be quite the attraction for many Native Americans looking to start their own casinos and resorts.

Yet, with all of this hoopla about gaming management and the recently added golf management major, is our school stepping over the line between education and entertainment? Are we trying to lure prospective students into our school with 'fun' majors like some kind of a circus sideshow?

No, we're not. This school is simply trying to change with the times and allow its students to have the best possible education and most opportunities available to them in their major.

How many hotel and resorts do you know of that don't have some type of attached restaurant, golf course or even casino? Surprisingly, not many. The attractions are part of the atmosphere that draws people in. With a booming hotel and tourism management major, shouldn't our students have the opportunity to learn and earn credits in classes that prepare them for the best in their fields?

According to the Minnesota Department of Human Services, in 2003, 80 percent of adult Americans have gambled at some time in the past year and only two percent of them have a serious addiction. That is a huge industry to tap into, so why wouldn't a good school offer courses in gaming management?

UW-Stout isn't trying to create compulsive gamblers. We aren't even trying to help raise the national debt despite some popular beliefs. We are just reaching for excellence in the area of education.

We are trying to stay one step ahead of competition so that students who use their (or their parents) hard earned money to get an education leave with the edge they need to graduate into a dream job.

Is gaming management going to get you a dream job? Maybe, but no promises here. I'm not saying that every school should go out and get a gaming management program, or even a golfing program for that matter. If you want to be the best, you have to take risks that others aren't willing to take.

By offering this and other new majors, our school is doing just that. Not everybody loves laptops and Malcolm Baldridge isn't a person I brag about to my friends, but how many other schools do you know of have the bragging rights to being the rebellious school of the Midwest? Exactly.

Next time you hear someone ripping on UW-Stout or the changes our school is making, just keep this in mind: We are the Clint Eastwood of Wisconsin; that's right: rebellious, slightly crazy and always above the rest, just like Dirty Harry himself.

When in doubt about the school you go to, think about the new majors, awards and programs, and ask yourself, do you feel lucky?

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Super-hero movies not just for geeks anymore

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

How many of the recent super-hero movies have you seen? It's okay to admit it; they are, after all, now socially acceptable and not just the realm of geek fan-boys.

I've been thinking about these quite a bit lately. I've seen almost all of them and own all of the good ones. Of course this could have something to do with my habit of collecting comic books.

Within the film industry, it has become very fashionable to purchase almost every well-known comic-property and quickly turn it into a flick. Some are very well known, Spiderman, X-men and others are not so well known, Ghost World, American Splendor.

The fact that so many have been made and almost four times as many are in some stage of development has me asking a question, why?

The quick answer is the obvious one. The film industry would swim in a bucket of wombat droppings if it thought such an act would make money, and comic movies are definitely making money. But why are they making money?

I feel that this has to do with the concept of "the hero" and how this relates to our society.

Society has always established its heroes. Perseus, Achilles, Davie Crocket and John Henri are all examples of heroes from the past.

Fictional or otherwise, these are individuals who rose above their surroundings to accomplish something great. But of the above examples, I cannot think of a single element beyond the obvious that connects them.

Not all of them fought for unselfish reasons. Not all of them fought for the safety of others. Is this the common thread that makes the "super-hero" icon so attractive?

The archetype of the super-hero from the comics is that of a person, with or without abilities far beyond those of mortal men, who is willing to sacrifice himself/herself for the greater good.

In a time when our political leaders are no longer the stainless icons that JFK represented or when sports stars are asking for more and more money to add to their ever growing collection of dead presidents, it can be easy to loose track of traditional American heroes.

Rock stars? Very few rock-stars have ever elevated themselves to the status of "hero" and of those that have, I can think of none that are still alive.

It is easy to look around and see very few or no heroes.

I believe that these comic-book movies are filling an important gap. The heroes of these films are generally drawn from the masses, are outcasts or have undergone some "defining moment" in their lives that has brought them an understanding of the masses.

These men and women, though fictional, do not rise above us; they often live among us. Instead of imposing their views, they serve society while asking for nothing in return.

Again I will ask, why are these films making so much money?

Could it be that in the "me" society America seams to be categorized as, Americans are willing to adopt the idea that to serve and receive no financial reward is not foolishness? I doubt it, but not out of skepticism.

The fact is, the majority of us are kept way too busy simply living. We are all engaged in the day-to-day routine of working to pay the ever advancing bills, trying to stay ahead in school work, some of us are raising a family and we still need to find time for ourselves and friends.

The point is that the hero films give us hope. This is why they make money. The films show us a glimpse into a world where a person or group is able to cut through the red tape of the normal and mundane to create a positive effect on the world around us.

We can also create this hope for ourselves. Have you ever stopped to help a stranded motorist? Have you ever taken the small amount of time that is necessary to help a friend laugh who has just gone through a bad break-up? Or how about just, on occasion, saying "to hell" with your obligations and going to Perkins at midnight for pie with a good friend?

While not on the same scale as saving Manhattan from Dr. Octopus, these actions are even more relevant because they are real. At this point in the semester, when we are all feeling the crunch, don't forget to be a hero.

Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Voting for the wrong guy

Rebecca Hartung's article, "Voting for Bush. Voting for life." was probably one of the most poorly written op-ed pieces I have ever read.

The article itself is not really even an article; it's really just a mesh of jumbled sound bites that you would hear on Fox news. There is no cohesiveness to any of her points, to say that a vote for President Bush is "a vote to protect innocent life" is completely without reason.

A new study done by researchers of the Lancet report concluded that as many as 100,000 Iraqi civilians have died during the 18 month US-led campaign.

To contrast this, the same article goes on to say that other agencies have conducted their own assessment of the number of civilians killed in which they find the number of civilian deaths to be around 10,000 to 30,000.

The number of US military forces killed in action is 1,081. It is by no stretch of the imagination that the President has a ban on stem-cell research, doing his best to lobby to the pro-life side of the issue.

What concerns me is that this same President, while Governor of Texas, executed more prisoners than any other governor, including the mentally handicapped. I'm all for voicing your opinion, (that's what so great about free will) but when your opinions are uninformed you lose all credibility and validity, and that's what happened in Rebecca's article.

The point I am trying to make is that when Rebecca says that a vote for President Bush is a "vote to protect innocent life" what she really means is, a vote for President Bush is a vote to protect her own.

Mark Dasovic
UW-Stout Student

Mr. Dasovic,

Thank you for writing in and voicing your opinion. Your letter makes a number of valid points, such as the facts from the *Lancet*.

However, you seem to have a predisposition that would indicate anti-Bush feelings. Perhaps your objectivity is tainted in this instance.

You are correct that Ms. Hartung was not writing an article, but rather a column based on the way she felt about President Bush; she was not protecting 'her own.'

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

Call me "Flying Thunder Guy"

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Well, I finally did it. Wait, no, I should rephrase that. I finally did a couple of things.

First, I am actually writing a follow-up article, something I often say, but rarely do. Second, I've finally met one of my life's goals in conjunction with the follow-up article that you're currently reading.

But before I get too into the whole explanation of what has happened, let me give you a little backstory. Since all of four people read this column on a regular basis, and I can see why, given that it mostly has zero relevance to current events, etc., I should explain what exactly I'm following up.

A few weeks ago, I attempted to obtain super powers by varying methods and then chronicled all of my different attempts in an article for *the Stoutonia*.

I ultimately failed, however, because super powers are kind of tricky to obtain, or so I thought. Up until just recently, I thought I had tried nearly everything to get me some rockin' powers with which to battle the forces of evil.

But all that changed upon my going to the Web site for Pixar's new movie, "The Incredibles."

On the Web site, http://www.theincredibles.com, in the games section, you can test yourself in different super-human attribute areas to see if you could hack it as a hero.

The test is broken up into three main areas each testing a different ability: strength, agility and flight respectively.

The goal, obviously, is to undergo each test and whichever one you perform the best at is the power you are allotted.

In the strength test, I had to throw several different, and very heavy, objects like busses and cars, to see how far I could toss them.

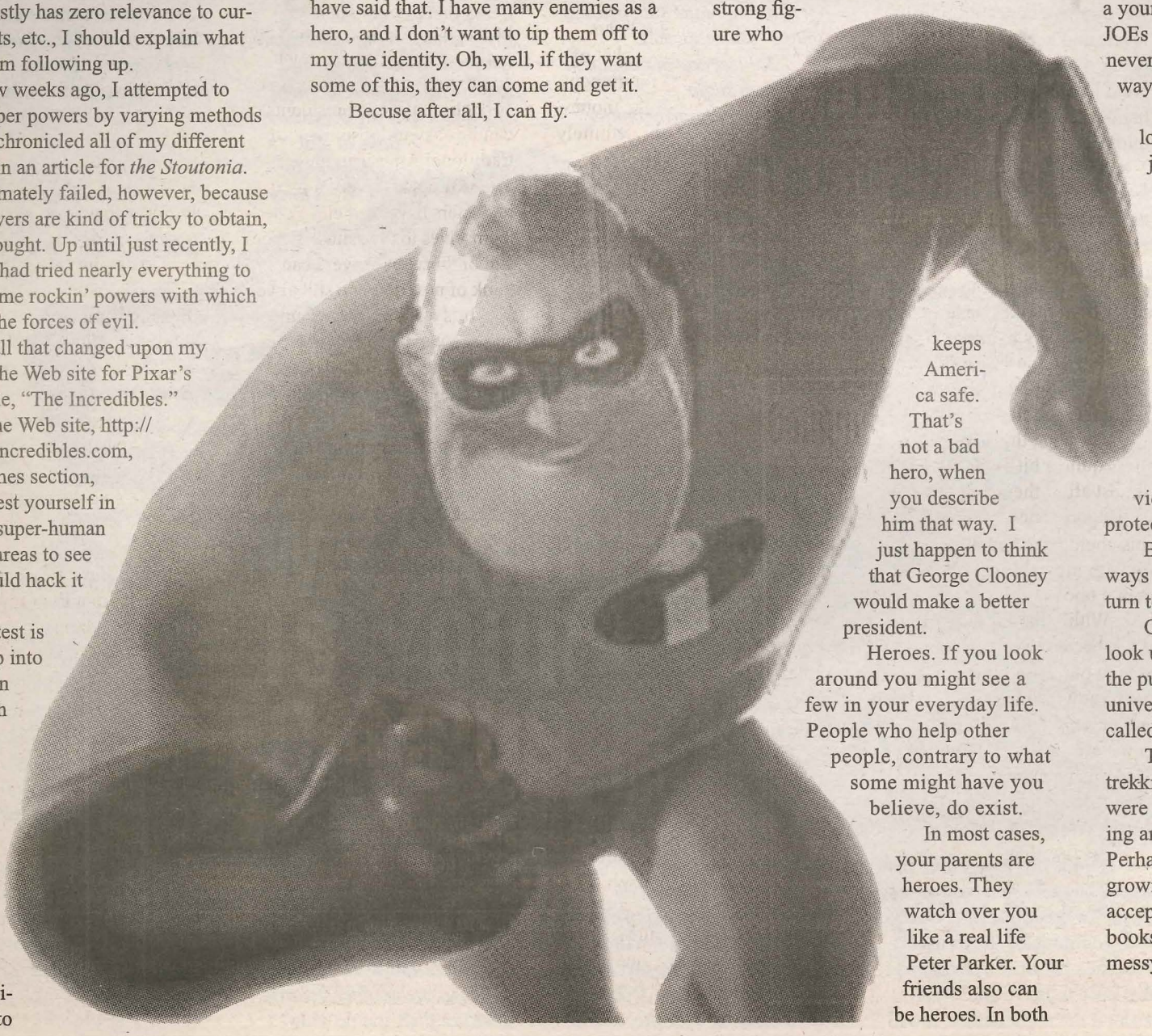
In the agility test, I had to click on a number of objects in a specified order as fast as I could, and in the flight test I had to hover around and dodge objects as they passed over and under me.

When all was said and done, and my super mettle had been tested, I prevailed the most successfully in the flight department.

After the initial testing revealed my super-human gift of flight, I was then asked a series of crime-fighting questions to help determine an appropriate moniker for my newfound gifts.

Oh, and in case anyone is wondering, you can call me "Flying Thunder Guy" from now on. Oops, maybe I shouldn't have said that. I have many enemies as a hero, and I don't want to tip them off to my true identity. Oh, well, if they want some of this, they can come and get it.

Becuse after all, I can fly.



Real American Heroes

Curt Trnka
Columnist

Heroes are an essential part of life.

After the election, I overheard someone saying that Dubya was one of her heroes, and I immediately thought how wrong that was.

But I was wrong.

I started to think about all the heroes in my life. How those individuals helped shape the person I am today.

Heroes are very personal. Every hero serves a purpose: some provide strength and others offer guidance.

Just because I don't agree with having George Bush, "The Sequel" as a role model, doesn't mean that girl wasn't right to think of him as a hero.

She probably views Bush as a strong figure who keeps America safe. That's not a bad hero, when you describe him that way. I just happen to think that George Clooney would make a better president.

Heroes. If you look around you might see a few in your everyday life. People who help other people, contrary to what some might have you believe, do exist.

In most cases, your parents are heroes. They watch over you like a real life Peter Parker. Your friends also can be heroes. In both cases, if you have the right ones, you already know they are heroes. Don't forget to thank them sometime.

A couple of days ago, I was walking towards *the Stoutonia's* quaint little office with my arms full of CDs and newspapers. One of the CDs fell, and no sooner do I turn to pick it up and a young woman was handing the CD to me. She had seen me drop it and swooped down and grabbed it for me. To her, my everyday hero, I say thank you.

How can I tell that she was a hero? Because I needed her help, and even though she didn't have to help, she did.

Think about it. That aide at the lab who saved your butt by getting that printer to print, that aide was your hero.

There is another kind of hero. The kind that we don't find in everyday life, but we wish we could. This is the kind of hero the world turns to when it needs help.

When we were younger, some of those heroes were GI JOEs. Even for girls, the GI JOEs were heroes, and girls knew it.

The Real American Hero: the tag line said it all. GI JOE started kids off at a young age with decent role models. GI JOEs always gave one hundred percent, never killed anyone and somehow always won. Yo Joe!

Without these heroic figures to look up to, life becomes gray. Not just GI JOE, but the real soldiers, the real heroes. The people who work the tough jobs, like third shift workers who keep the world running while we all sleep, or the single parent who struggles to make enough money but always provides as much as possible for little Jimmy or Jill.

Real soldiers. We taste the luxury of freedom everyday, and owe it all to the men and women, and the countless individuals who came before them, who protect our country.

But those type of heroes can't always be there, and when they aren't, we turn to other heroes.

Children often have superheroes to look up to. When I was young, I too felt the pull of comic book heroes, but a universe of fairness and exploration called "Star Trek" fascinated me.

That's right; I was a geek; I was a trekkie. Kirk, Spock and the Enterprise were an hour of possibility, moral teaching and alien women in tin foil bikinis. Perhaps not the best programming for a growing boy, but it taught lessons in acceptance and diplomacy that comic books did not. Plus it eliminated all that messy reading.

Yes mom I do call that art.

Celebrating international diversity

By Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

Looking around the campus at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, there are many more white faces than any other color. This week, International Week, the Office of International Education and the International Relations Club would like students to recognize and celebrate the variety of nationalities we have at UW-Stout.

"Our purpose is to promote awareness and to celebrate the international diversity that can be found on campus," said Vickie Kuester, the associate director of the Office of International Education. "I don't think people are aware of it."

The week's events began Wednesday, Nov. 10 with the panel discussion called "Why Not Study Abroad."

Made up of six students who have studied in countries like Australia, Mexico and Scotland, the panel allowed students in the audience to ask questions and find out more information about the countries and what the study abroad experience is like from a first-hand point of view.

"We can introduce the experience of what they have abroad, and we can share it with someone who wants to go abroad," said Hiroyuki Takano, the secretary of IRC and an international student from Japan.

Courtesy of Vickie Kuester

Jeny Centron, a graduated student from Paraguay, participated in the International Week culture show last year. The show and a buffet will be held in the Great Hall of the MSC on Saturday, Nov. 13 at 5:30 p.m.

Friday the festivities will continue. An international drum and dance workshop will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Glass Lounge of Merle Price Commons.

Madou Dembele will instruct and perform drumming for those who attend. The event is free and is co-sponsored by the Hand Drumming Club.

Dembele was raised in Mali, West Africa and started drumming when he was four years old. Since then, he has performed with Stevie Wonder and Blue Man Group and was a featured performer at Disney World.

On Saturday, Nov. 13 the international dinner, show and exhibits will wrap up the events.

Students from 16 countries will have exhibits set up in the Ballrooms of the Memorial Student Center from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. Anyone can tour the exhibits and ask the international students questions about their home country.

"It is a wonderful time for a person to get exposure to different cultures," said Kuester.

The buffet dinner will follow at 5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall of the MSC and features items such as Korean Bulgogi, Hasselbackspotatis from Sweden and German Apple Cake.

Each meal is worth $13.95, but thanks to budget funding, students are only required to pay $6. They may use their flexline account to pay for the meal.

"It is an opportunity [for students] to get away from pizza, hamburgers and french fries and try different foods," said Kuester. "They might like it."

After the dinner there will be a cultural show with Indian dances, Korean martial arts, a fashion show and much more.

Dembele will perform briefly before he moves downstairs to Huff's at 9 p.m. for a concert. This event costs $5.

Kuester hopes the events will encourage students to get to know international students.

"Maybe it will encourage them to visit their [friend's] country," said Kuester. "Working with international students causes you to become more aware of your own culture."

Starting the day without an empty stomach

Katie Bader
Student Life Writer

The alarm never went off, you can't find your favorite jeans and your roommate's hogging the bathroom, how can there possibly be any time for breakfast?

"I just don't have time for breakfast," said Teale Zetzman, a junior in vocational rehab.

In reality, it is a good idea to make time for breakfast. Many scientific studies have proven that breakfast can have a number of benefits. Breakfast is just what your body needs to refuel after a night's sleep.

A meal in the morning kick starts the body's metabolism for the rest of the day, causing the body to burn more calories. Skipping breakfast also causes hunger pains, later which contribute to binge eating throughout the day.

Those who eat a hearty breakfast in the morning also consumed less fat during the day and had a higher intake of vitamins and minerals.

Those who eat breakfast also have shown they have a more positive attitude, helpful when dealing with boring teachers and lazy lab partners.

Eating a morning meal can improve concentration levels and help a person have a better memory, so it might be a good idea to scarf down some breakfast before your 8 a.m. midterm.

Jesse Blunt, a junior in technical education always eats his breakfast.

"It's the most important meal of the day, and it holds me over until lunch at 12," said Blunt. "It is so cheap to have a bowl of cereal, and I eat Total so I know I get all my vitamins for the day."

It is difficult in the morning to make time for breakfast, or even to sit down and have a bowl of cereal. That is why it is a good idea to make up a dish the night before, and eat as you get ready, or even as you walk to class.

Here is one sweet treat that would be quick and easy to take along for breakfast as you walk and would break up the usual breakfast bar or cereal routine. It is easy to make and if you make it the night before, it will be ready for you in the morning.

Pull Apart Cinnamon Bread

2 tubes (7.5 oz) refrigerated buttermilk biscuits (only 37 cents apiece)
1 Tablespoon of cinnamon
¾ cup sugar
½ cup margarine/butter melted, divided

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.

2. With cooking spray, spray the bottom of 8x8 in square pan.

3. Mix the cinnamon and sugar in a bowl.

4. Cut the slices of the biscuits into fours and roll in the cinnamon and sugar mixture.

5. Place half the pieces in one layer on the pan. Drizzle ¼ cup margarine over pieces and sprinkle ¼ cup of cinnamon and sugar mixture on top.

6. Place the second half of the pieces onto the first layer and its toppings. Drizzle with remaining margarine and sprinkle with remaining cinnamon and sugar mixture.

7. Bake at 350 degrees for forty minutes. Let cool for five minutes.

8. Flip over the pan and place the bread on a plate, with the bottom now on top.

9. Drizzle with frosting if desired.

"This tastes kind of like the cinnasticks for Pizza Hut, but even better," said Brian Foiles, a senior in industrial design.

Eggs are another favorite breakfast dish and provide protein and calories to give the body energy for the day. Here is an egg sandwich that can be done completely in the microwave and takes only about five minutes to make.

Breakfast Sandwich

1 bagel or English muffin
3 eggs
2 slices of cheese, any kind
2 slices of ham or bacon

1. Toast the bagel or English muffin, or if a toaster in unavailable, microwave for 30 seconds.

2. Crack open 3 eggs in a bowl and beat with a fork.

3. Place a paper towel over the bowl and microwave for 1 ½ to 2 minutes until there is no longer any liquid in the eggs.

4. If you are making the sandwich with bacon, place the bacon on a microwave safe plate (such as a paper or glass one) and microwave for about 3 minutes, checking halfway through.

5. Layer the eggs, cheese, bacon and ham on top of the bagel or English muffin.

6. Place in microwave for about 30 seconds or until cheese melts.

7. Enjoy!

Stout Watch

Rachel Kasinskas

Year in school: senior.
Major: graphic design.
What is the best thing about being a twin?
The best thing about being a twin is the unconditional connection that we have.
What is the worst?
At times, when I am really annoyed by some of my sister's actions, I often realize that I have those same characteristics.
What is the most commonly asked question of you about being a twin?
Do you have telepathy? At times I think we do. Also, we get asked a lot, what is it like to be a twin? I always ask, what is it like not to be? I think most people are intrigued by the idea, and often people say that they always wished they had a twin.
What is the funniest memory about being a twin when you were a child?
Val and I actually had a short-lived language of our own when we were very young.
If you could meet one person who would it be?
I would like to meet two people, the brother's quay. Their animations are elusive and intriguing, just like them I am sure.
What is your biggest pet peeve?
The Styrofoam cartons from the commons.
What do you miss about childhood?
Being able to laugh at anything randomly. When I do it now, somehow it just seems crazy.

Valerie Kasinskas

Year in school: senior.
Major: studio art with a concentration in art metals.
What is the best thing about being a twin?
The companionship.
What is the worst?
Sharing socks.
What is the most commonly asked question of you about being a twin?
Did you just change your hair?
What is the funniest memory about being a twin when you were a child? Rachel and I used to pretend we were permanently stuck in the mud. Our mom would have to pull us out.
If you could meet one person who would it be?
President Bush.
What is your biggest pet peeve?
When someone uses the shampoo, squeezes the bottle tight and leaves it all puckered up.
What do you miss about childhood?
Having pets that my mom took care of.
What super power would you like to have?
The ability to quickly rust metal.
What is the funniest prank you have pulled?
My friend and I used a baster and squirted liquid cat food into my friend's ex's new boyfriend's sports car.
What is your least favorite word? Hardcore.
Favorite quote: I will not be so pompus if you extend your vocabulary.
Who inspires you? Rachel Kasinskas.

Shania sans cameras

Celebrity sighting gives a glimpse of reality

Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

We see celebrities on television, in movies and at concerts. They wear their smiles and shiny, expensive clothes, seemingly with comfort, and we don't often see them without that stuff.

I had my first celebrity sighting this past Friday in Nashville, Tenn. Our group caught Shania Twain in the middle of her sound check for a performance on "Good Morning America." We watched her sing "Forever and For Always" from about 25 feet away.

Twain sported a pair of loose track pants, a sweatshirt and a puffy vest. There was no glitter in sight, nor was there a smile plastered on her face throughout her song.

It was pretty surreal because it was so unlike anything I had ever experienced. I have been to concerts, but they are so impersonal. This was more human; she was a real person just trying to get her job done.

As she told the technicians that the sound seemed too "boomy," I started wondering if, to her, we were nothing more than a group of pests.

We stood there watching, taking pictures, judging her talent, assessing her wardrobe, while she was just trying to prepare for her performance the next day.

Were we like the teacher that looks over your shoulder as you do your homework?

I will justify my actions by saying it was in the middle of a street, in the middle of the city, so I am sure she didn't expect privacy. However, when she finished her song and completely ignored the crowds' applause of approval, I did feel as though we weren't wanted there.

I left the scene with a smile on my face and a buzz in my veins, but did she go back to her bus and throw a drink back, in complete digust with the human race? I doubt it, but they are things to consider.

With public figures and the "regular" people around us, we should remember that they have feelings that could potentially be completely different than the those we hold.

I don't think Daunte Culpepper would be all that excited to see you in the men's room, and he probably wouldn't ask you to shake his hand.

Cameron Diaz might not think the photograph of you at the gas station with no makeup on would be a great picture to put on her christmas card.

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"Stuff them in your pants and unload them in your dorm room."
Ben Witt
Business
Senior

"Grab a blanket and pillow and have a good night on them."
Sarah Roth
Psychology
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"The best thing would have to be burning a pile of leaves."
John Schlitz
Manufacturing Engineering
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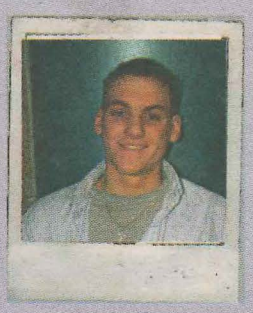

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>Music: Waltzes With Bears, Acoustic Café, 8:30 p.m., free.
>Theater: An Enemy of the People, Harvey Hall Theater, 7:30 p.m., free.

Friday, Nov. 12
>Theater: An Enemy of the People, Harvey Hall Theater, 7:30 p.m., free.
>Arts and Crafts Faire, Mabel Tainter Theater, 11 a.m-7 p.m.
>Music: The Bad Plus, Great Hall, 8 p.m., $5 students.
>Hockey vs. St. Mary's, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 13
>Theater: An Enemy of the People, Harvey Hall Theater, 7:30 p.m., free.
>Art and Crafts Faire, Mabel Tainter Theater, 10 a.m-5 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 14
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Monday, Nov. 15
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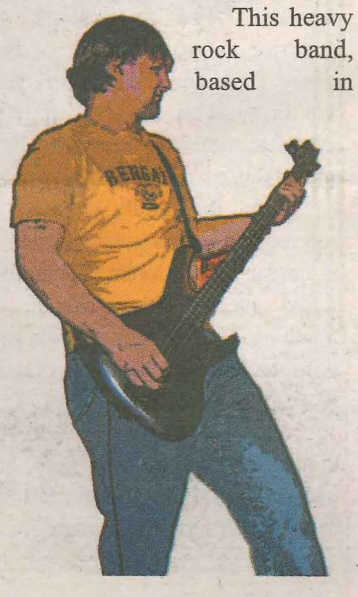
Christian rock band rips up the stage with music

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

The Blind Munchies Café hosted another one of their locally famous free concerts on Nov. 5 when the band TORN played.



This heavy rock band, based in northern Indiana, came to perform, and perform they did.

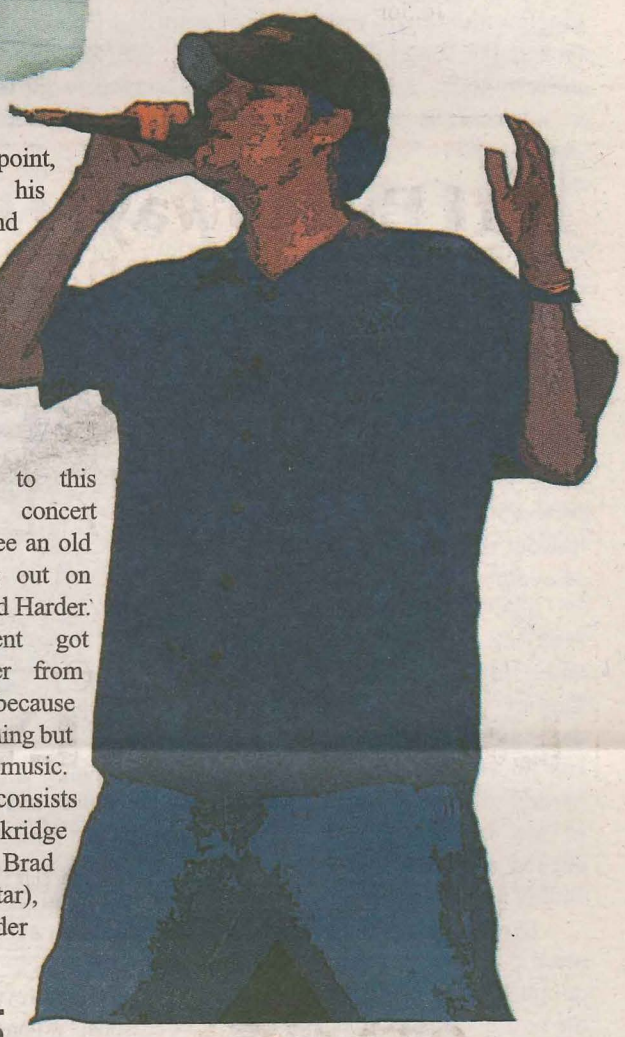
The performance they gave was comparable to one you would see in a large stadium, such was the energy that they put into their music.

The Blind Munchies, being great, as usual, with inexpensive food and coffee products, as well as a warm inviting atmosphere, was the perfect place to hold the concert.

The crowd gathered in front of the stage, and some of the local teenagers formed a small, pretty harmless mosh pit, running into each other to the tune of the driving guitar melodies.

The band was well received by the audience, and everyone of any age that attended was very into what the band had to offer.

Anyone who is a fan of heavier rock would have loved this concert. Brian Eskridge (vocals) has a voice similar to that of lead singer, Scott Stapp, of Creed. Between songs, bassist Stan Harder took time to talk to the crowd, get them riled up and into the music.



At one point, he shared his testimony and commented on the first time he went to a Christian concert.

"I went to this Christian concert expecting to see an old lady jamming out on the organ," said Harder. This comment got much laughter from the audience, because TORN is anything but old lady organ music.

The band consists of Brian Eskridge (vocals), Brad Clark (guitar), Stan harder (bass) and

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(above) Brian Eskridge, lead singer of TORN, sound similar to Scott Stapp from Creed. Other members not pictured are Brad Clark, guitar; Stan Harder, bass; and Dwane Frazier, drums.

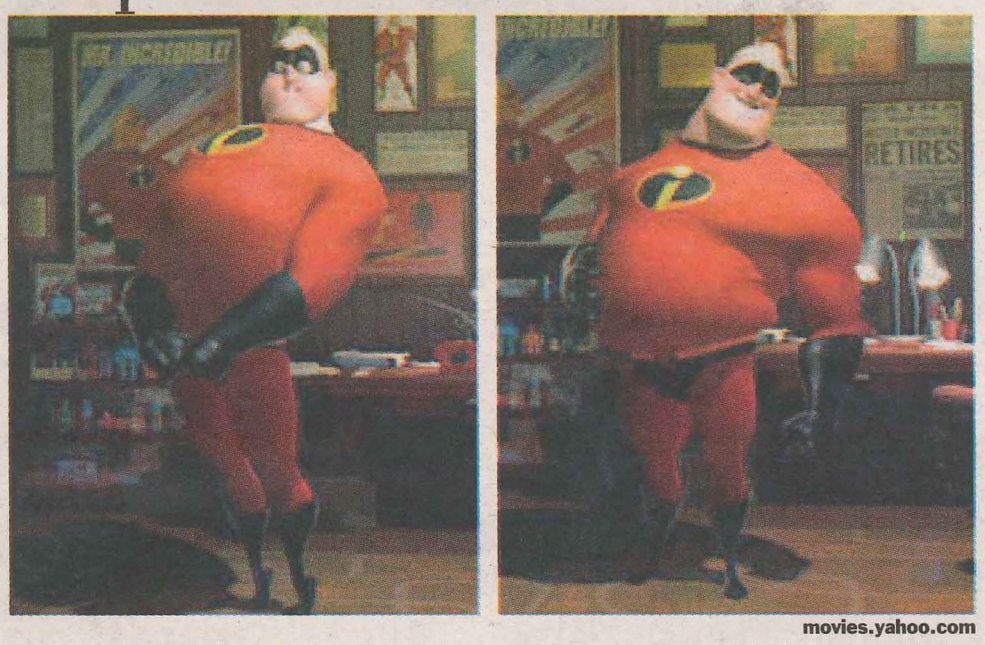
Not another superhero movie: it's incredible

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

Disney and Pixar's highly anticipated "The Incredibles" not only lives up to expectations, but in many ways surpasses them as a family movie that, like their previous "Finding Nemo," can actually be enjoyed by an entire family.

Bob Parr (voiced by Craig T. Nelson) and his wife Helen (Holly Hunter) were once Mr. Incredible and Elastigirl, two of the great superheroes in a golden age of crime fighting.

The golden age comes to a crashing halt when an ungrateful public bombards them and their kind with lawsuits for such things as unlawful rescues and public damages resulting from their heroic acts. When all the dust clears, Bob and Helen quietly give up crime fighting to raise their family of three in suburban seclusion.



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Even superhero dads have their flaws: Not sure if he looks better with his chest puffed out, or his gut hanging out; Bob contemplates the idea of a slimmer body.

Trying to blend in with regular society proves no mean feat. Bob can barely stand his office job, and Helen has her hands full with their children, two of whom are already exhibiting special abilities.

Their awkward and angst-ridden teenaged daughter, Violet, is able to create force fields out of energy and turn invisible at will, using the latter ability mostly to escape the notice of her peers. Their mischievous pre-adolescent son, Dash, can move faster than a speeding bullet, but uses this ability chiefly for low-level pranks.

Both children are prohibited from using their powers in public out of fear of blowing their cover. When, as occasionally happens, their cover does get blown, the government is always standing ready to relocate them.

A sizable chunk of the movie concerns itself with the difficulties and frustrations of the Incredibles' fitting in.

Helen is trying to hold together a family that is champing at the bit to let loose with their powers, while Bob and family friend Lucius --formerly Frozone, a hero who can freeze stuff-- deal with their frustration by pretending to go out bolwing in order to do some low-

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Dan Fraizer v They started with Clark and Harder wanting to start a band so they could minister to others.

Fraizer came along and made practices between the classes he was taking to become a pastor. The three put up an ad for vocals, and when Eskridge replied to the ad, they were reluctant to let him in, simply because of the hour distance between their homes.

But immediately after a trial run with Eskridge, they literally ran with it. A big reason for this was because on their first practice they managed to write two of the songs that they still perform today.

According to Clark they love being a band and working together because they get to witness to others and bring people closer to God while getting the opportunity to "rock out." They are also big fans of POD, having somewhat similar music styles.

> ***"I...expected to see an old lady jamming out on the organ."***
> ~Stan Harder
> Bass player TORN

"It's awesome that they managed to go mainstream and still keep it about God," said Harder about POD, which is what TORN is trying to accomplish. After being together for less than two years, they are already well on their way, having the talent and passion to make it.

The concert was definitely enjoyed by all who attended, and those who didn't missed out. The last song that they played, "Grey Rain," was a very solid, heavy melody and was the perfect way to end an amazing set. Receiving five rounds of applause at the end, it was clear that they played excellently.

As usual, The Blind Munchies managed to book yet another great band, and anyone who missed this concert should keep a look out for the free concerts every few weeks.

Jordan Way/*Stoutonia*

(above) Bass player Stan Harder, vocalist Brian Eskridge and guitarist Brad Clark never thought they'd end up in a Christian band.

Movie / *super family gets super review*

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profile superhero work.

When a mysterious summons comes for Mr. Incredible, Bob has little problem succumbing to temptation and responding. The summons turns out to have come from a villain out of Mr. Incredible's past, whose island hideout is something straight out of a James Bond movie.

The villain's name is Buddy Pine, a.k.a. Syndrome (gleefully voiced by Jason Lee), a former fan-boy who has grown to hate the superheroes he once loved. His bitterness stems from his perceived rejection at the hands of Mr. Incredible, who neither needed nor desired the fawning Buddy as a sidekick.

Syndrome's aims are much more personal than world domination: he plans to kill off all the world's superheroes and then use his inventions -rocket packs, lasers, giant robots- to pose as the world's last remaining superhero. After he has accomplished all this, his plan is to market his inventions so everyone can have super abilities.

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A super family with super powers, the Incredibles even have the time to coordinate and match their outfits.

"And when everyone is super," he reasons, "no one will be."

"The Incredibles" is an ambitious movie, both in its production and its story. We'll deal with the former first.

The animation is top of the line and the design work, especially the stylized, economically rendered characters, is never less than impressive. It's a nice balance between the two-dimensional look of Saturday morning animation and the ultra-realism of CGI.

The story is as multi-dimensional as the animation, and it works on every level. On the surface is a charming kids' movie about a family banding together to fight evil, not unlike Robert Rodriguez's "Spy Kids" movies. "The Incredibles" is superior to most movies of this genre by having characters that are more than likeable, they're sympathetic, with emotions that make sense and feel real.

Also, the family dynamic is represented in a realistic way, which is harder than it looks if countless failed sitcoms are evidence of anything. The dialogue is bright and witty, and most of the jokes not only work, but work well.

On the superhero side of things, the action sequences are well presented, fun, and exciting. In short, everything is here for a quality family movie that kids and, yes, even their parents can enjoy.

But the story can be enjoyed on a deeper level than that as well. The movie not only plays around with superhero pop culture - there's a montage regarding the dangers of capes that I won't ruin by describing- but with conformist expectations of society.

"It seems that everyone keeps finding new ways to celebrate mediocrity," Mr. Incredible grumbles, early in the film.

Is there a place for superheroic ideals in modern society? Yes is the answer this film gives and it is this idea that pushes the film. Fortunately, "The Incredibles" itself never succumbs to mediocrity. It's high quality fun with something for everyone to enjoy. I can't think of any reason to give it less than an incredible five out of five.

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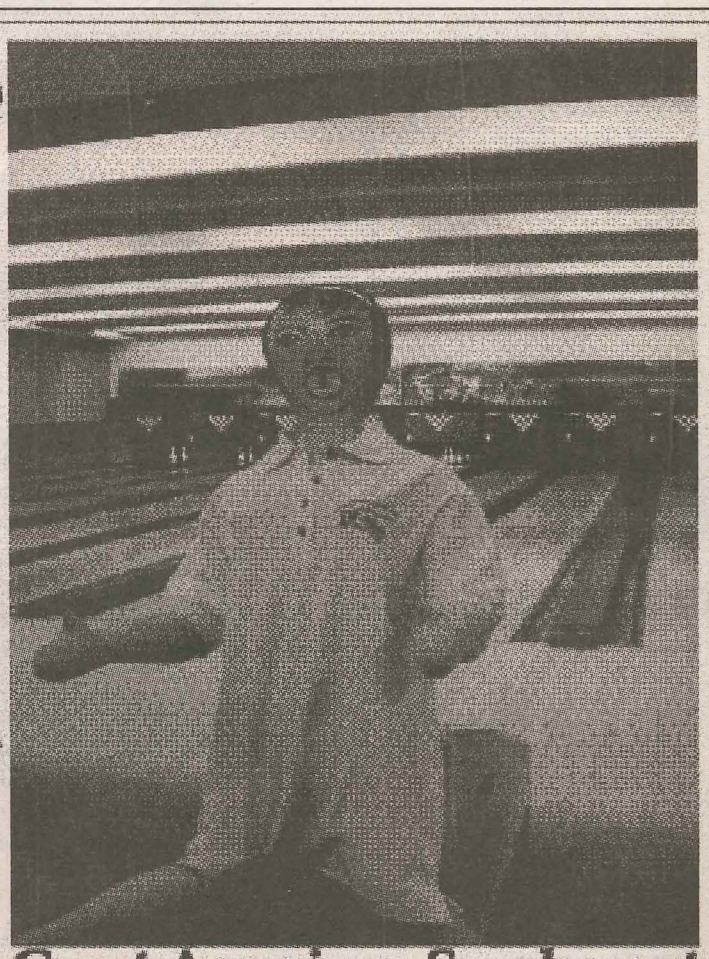

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2	1	113 W. Main	$350	$175	$420	$210	Close to campus and downtown	H
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave#2	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #5	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #6	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	619 1/2 13th Ave	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG,HotWater, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1221 1/2 7th St.	$440	$220	n/a	n/a	Includes heat, W/S/G, hot water, excellent loc.	D
2	1	619 13th Ave	$470	$235	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG, Hot Water, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1803 _ 7th St.	$450	$225	$510	$255	Remodeled, Large Apartment/Washer/Dryer	D
2	1	1506 6th St.	$420	$210	$500	$250	Huge Bedrooms, enclosed front porch,	D
2	1	1506 _ 6th St.	$330	$165	$400	$200	Enclosed Front Porch/Great Location	D
2	1	115 W Main St.	$400	$200	$485	$243	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	915 Main St.	$380	$190	$455	$228	Nice Duplex with parking	D
2	1	921 Main St. #2	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	921 Main St. #4	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	1721 1/2 7th Street	$520	$260	n/a	n/a	Inc Utilities/good location/washer/dryer	D
2	1	620 1/2 9th Ave	$500	$250	$615	$308	Large upper apt close to campus	3
2	1	414 1/2 12th Ave	$430	$215	$510	$255	Upstairs apt xlose to campus	D
2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$650	$325	n/a	n/a	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
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2	1	802 6th Ave. #5	$525	$263	n/a	n/a	Util Inc. Great downtown location/parking	6
2	1	802 6th Ave #6	$500	$250	n/a	n/a	All Utilities included Great Location Parking	6
2	1	1502 10th St.	$525	$263	$650	$325	House,Garage, Washer Dryer Hook ups	H
2	1	1721 7th Street	$600	$300	n/a	n/a	Inc utilities/good location/large apt	D
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$495	$165	$615	$205	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$705	$235	Big Kitchen,Close to campus, laundry	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$615	$205	$715	$239	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	921 Main St. #3	$600	$200	$720	$240	Parking andconvenient location	4
3	1	1820 8th St.	$800	$267	$920	$307	Great House Available Aug 1, 2004	
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$960	$320	n/a	n/a	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
4	1	1808 5th St.	$800	$200	n/a	n/a	Lg rooms, laundry, parking great loc.	H
4	1	1114 7th St.	$1140	$285	n/a	n/a	Great location	H
4	1	1606 10th St.	$580	$145	$760	$190	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1809 - 6th St.	$620	$155	$780	$195	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Garage	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$700	$175	$820	$205	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	1	1115 14th Ave.	$680	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat, garage, lg. Rooms, laundry.	H
4	1	1120 15th Ave.	$600	$150	$760	$190	Very LARGE bedrooms/WashDry hook-up	D
4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
4	1	921 Main St #1	$740	$185	$86	$215	parking and convenient location	4
4	1	121 12th Ave. W.	$900	$225	$1030	$258	Large apartment, super location, wash/dry	D
4	2	1721 7th St.	$1120	$280	n/a	n/a	Includes Util. WASHER/DRYER, Parking	H
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #1	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #4	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
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4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$980	$245	$1130	$283	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1	915 Main St	$780	$195	$910	$228	Good location in duplex, large	D
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4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1420	$355	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$1,110	$278	$1310	$328	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$700	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	2	1115 17th Ave.	$750	$150	$960	$192	Very large rooms/WashDry hook-up	H
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	good location, Wash/Dry	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	$1150	$230	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
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5	2	1820 8th St. C	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
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5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	1708 6th St A	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2	1708 6th St B	$1325	$265	$1475	$295	New/great location with parking/washer/dryer	D
5	2.5	1502 - 7th St.	$1050	$175	$1260	$210	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/new siding	H
6	1.5	221 4th St.	$800	$134	$1020	$170	North Campus, gas heat, Wash/dry	D
6	2	415 - 13th Ave.W.	$1050	$175	$1250	$209	Modern house/very large rooms/good location	H
6	2+	1415 1/2 8th Street	$1560	$260	$1750	$292	Fabulous new construction, Wash/Dry	D
6	2	115 17th Av W	$1260	$210	$1430	$239	House,Location,wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave C	$1675	$280	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1620	$270	$1840	$307	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
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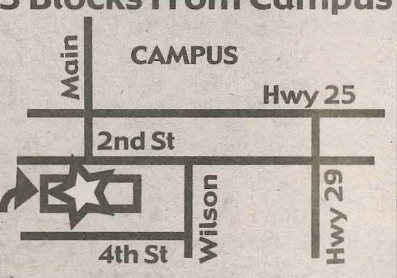

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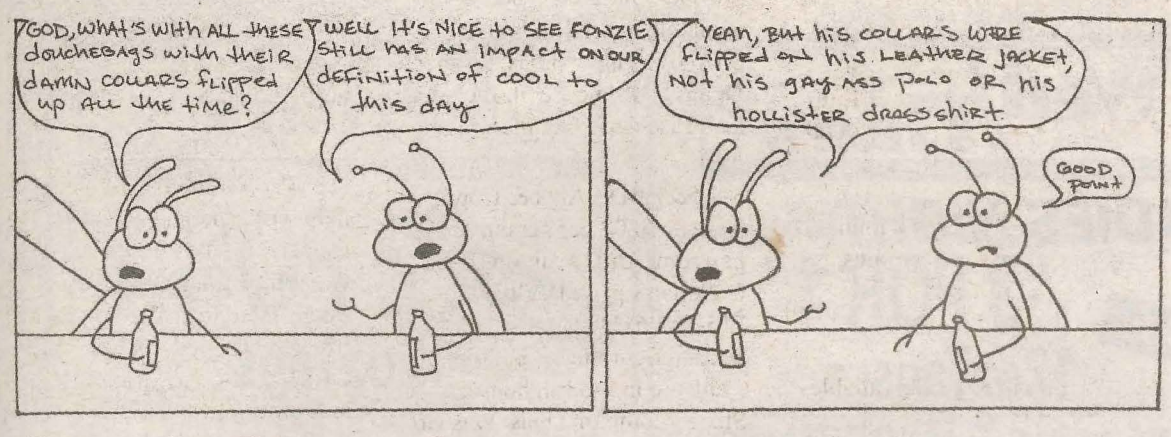

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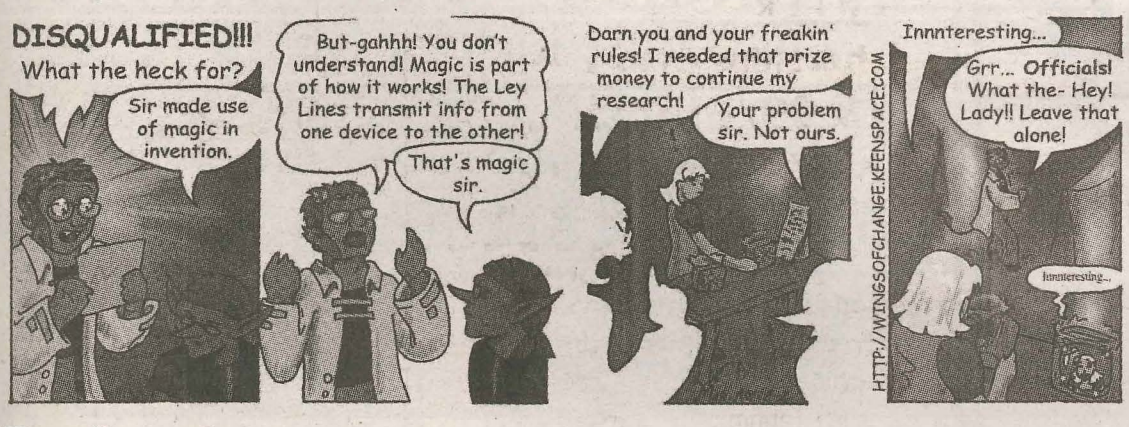

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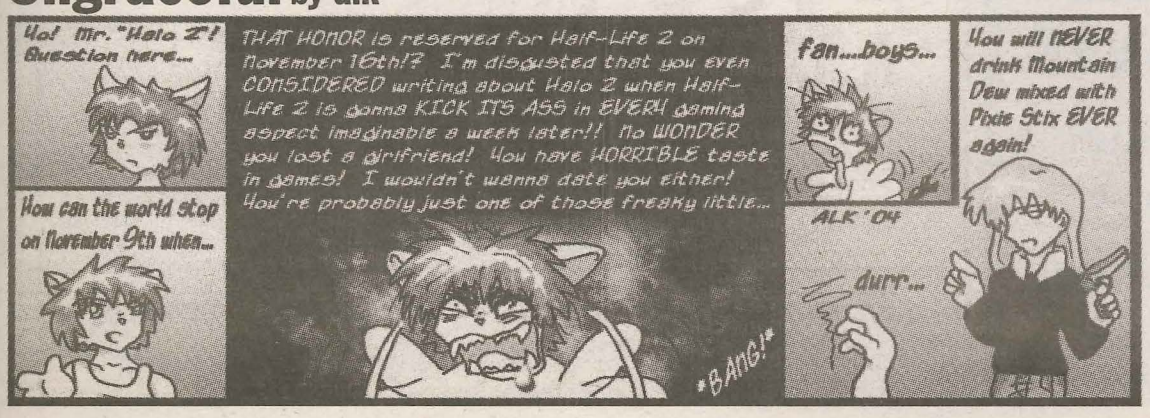

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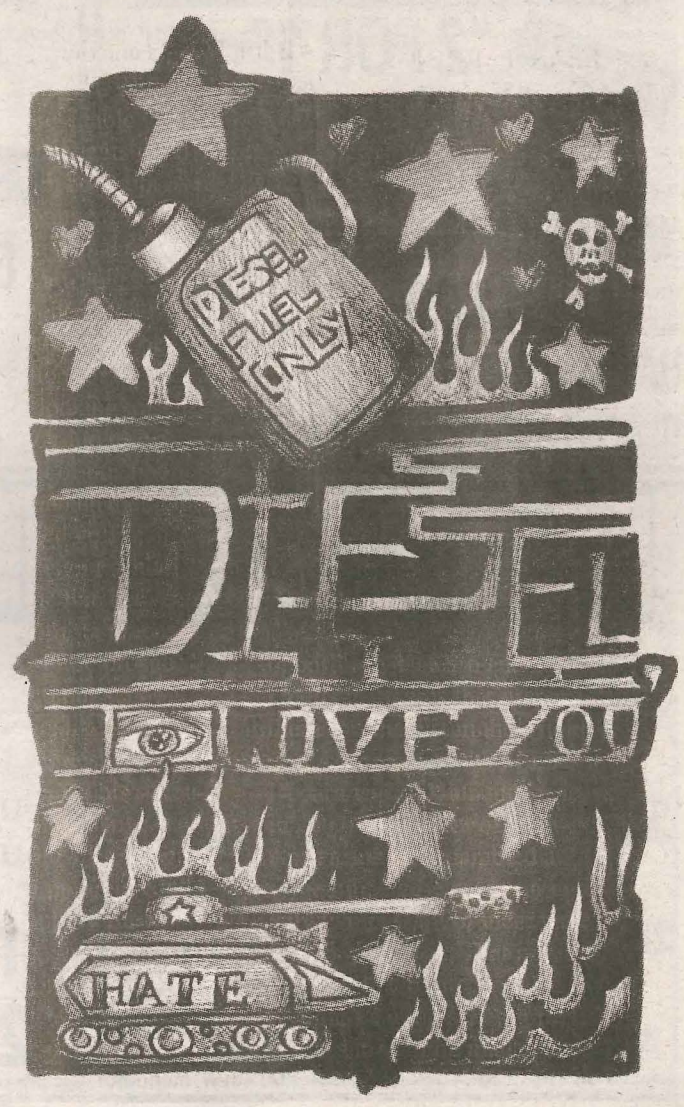

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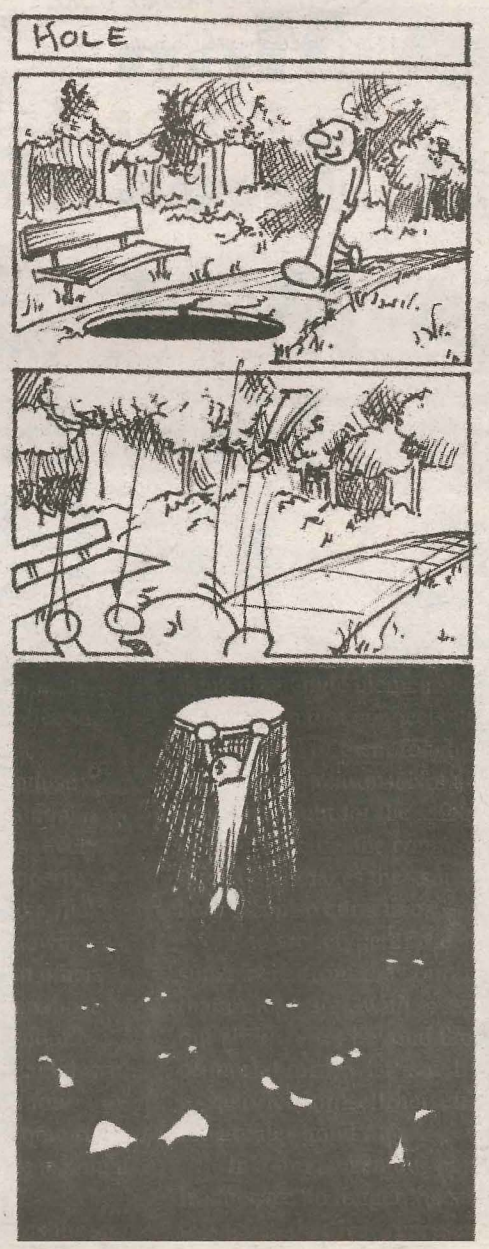

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Disc golf soars on and off campus

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

The Stout Disc Golf Club (SDGC) is in its third year as a recognized student organization.

The club has achieved many of its goals from the beginning to make their club and the sport of disc golf accessible to all.

The club recently installed a putting practice course on campus. The baskets can be found around South Campus and are available to anyone to use regardless of membership.

Installing a disc golf course close to campus has been a long-time goal of the club. The city of Menomonie, along with Mayor Kropp, has decided to make city land available in the spring of 2005 for the club's dream to become a reality.

"Frisbee golf has become very popular in our community. There is a need to expand the opportunity for participation by installing additional [baskets] in Menomonie," said Mayor Kropp in a letter to the SDGC's advisor.

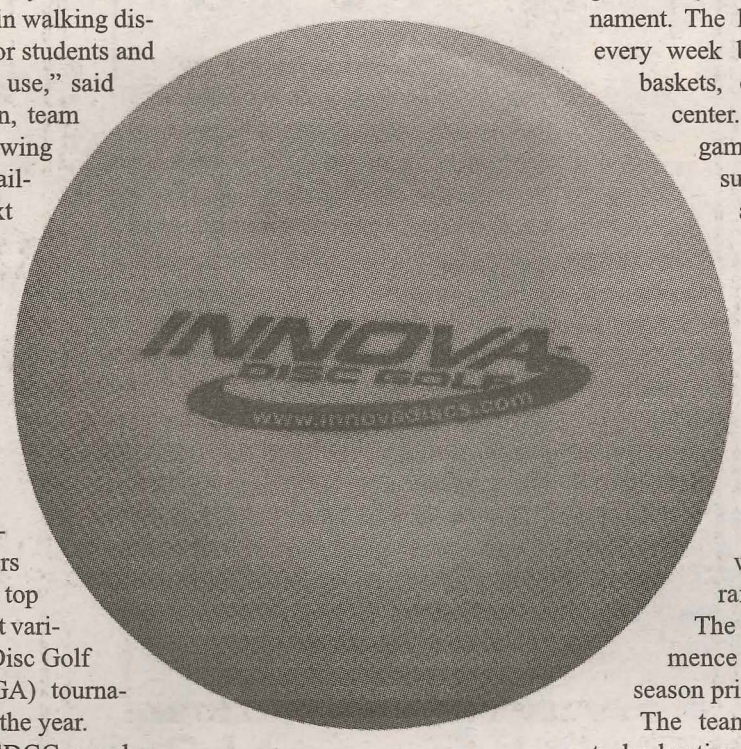
"It has been a goal for the team for over three years to install a course within walking distance of campus for students and the community to use," said Jason Hendrickson, team president. "Knowing that the land is available to use next semester for the course is the first step of getting the course installed."

The club has also been busy hosting and traveling to tournaments. Several of the members have placed in the top of their divisions at various Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) tournaments throughout the year.

Recently, a SDGC member won a portable basket and another won a $425 hole-in-one pool.

Thursday, Nov. 18 is the Tundra Toss in the Darkness, a glow-tournament at Wakanda Park.

This is a fundraiser tournament that focuses on having fun. The tournament takes place at night and uses glow-in-the-dark discs and lit-up, glowing baskets.



Putting league will also begin shortly after the glow-tournament. The league meets once every week by the on-campus baskets, or in the student center. Different putting games will be played, such as horse and around the world.

It will last several weeks and participants will gain points for attendance, placing and other various factors. Stats will be recorded and posted each week, and weekly raffles will be drawn. The league will commence with end of the season prizes.

The team is also excited to be hosting their first PDGA sanctioned tournament in Wakanda Park. The tournament will take place sometime in mid-April or early May in association with the Tower Ridge Open in Eau Claire.

Players from all over the upper Midwest will be attending these two tournaments as the first stop on the Wisconsin Disc Golf Tour.

SDGC memberships are available for $25. Membership includes a custom stamped SDGC disc and a limited edition shirt. Student members also get entry fees paid for a tournament of their choice, approved by the executive board. Other benefits include discounts on club merchandise, disc golf merchandise at Simple Sports and much more.

A majority of the membership fee goes toward the purchase of baskets for the new course, so everyone will benefit from the contribution.

For more information on upcoming events, glow disc supplies, memberships, or any questions, contact stoutdiscgolfclub @uwstout.edu or check them out on the web http://www.discgolf.uwstout.edu.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

In the final weeks of his career as a Blue Devil, Nick Ohman has been playing some of the best football of his tenure at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

In the last two weeks, Ohman has led the Blue Devils in two upset victories over the top conference teams.

In the victory over the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, Ohman had 125 rushing yards and two touchdowns.

Last week when the Blue Devils faced the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Ohman kept the pace up by accumulating 150 yards on the ground and throwing three touchdowns.

Both performances earned Ohman WIAC player of the week and he also recieved the Division III player of the week for last week.

The Facts:
Senior
Glenwood City, Wis.
Business

Earned WIAC football athlete of the week for the second week straight.

Nick Ohman
Football

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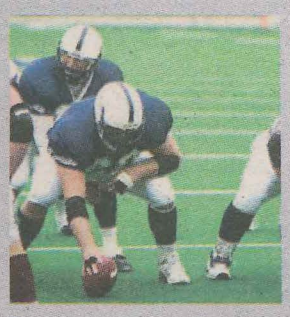
Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(5-3)

The football team won 36-21 against Eau Claire on Nov. 6

Next Game:
Nov. 13 at Platteville



Hockey
(3-0-1)

The hockey team defeateed Augsbug 6-3 on Nov. 6

Next Match:
Nov. 12 hosting St. Mary

Soccer
(13-3-2)

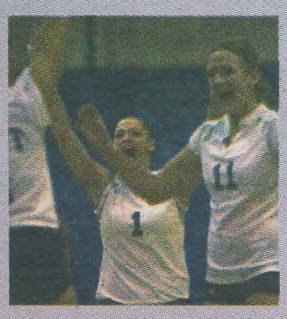
The soccer team lost 5-3 to Oshkosh

Final Standings
1. Stevens Point
2. Stout
3. Oshkosh
4. River Falls
5. La Crosse
6. Whitewater
7. Eau Claire
8. Platteville
9. Superior

Volleyball
(30-4)

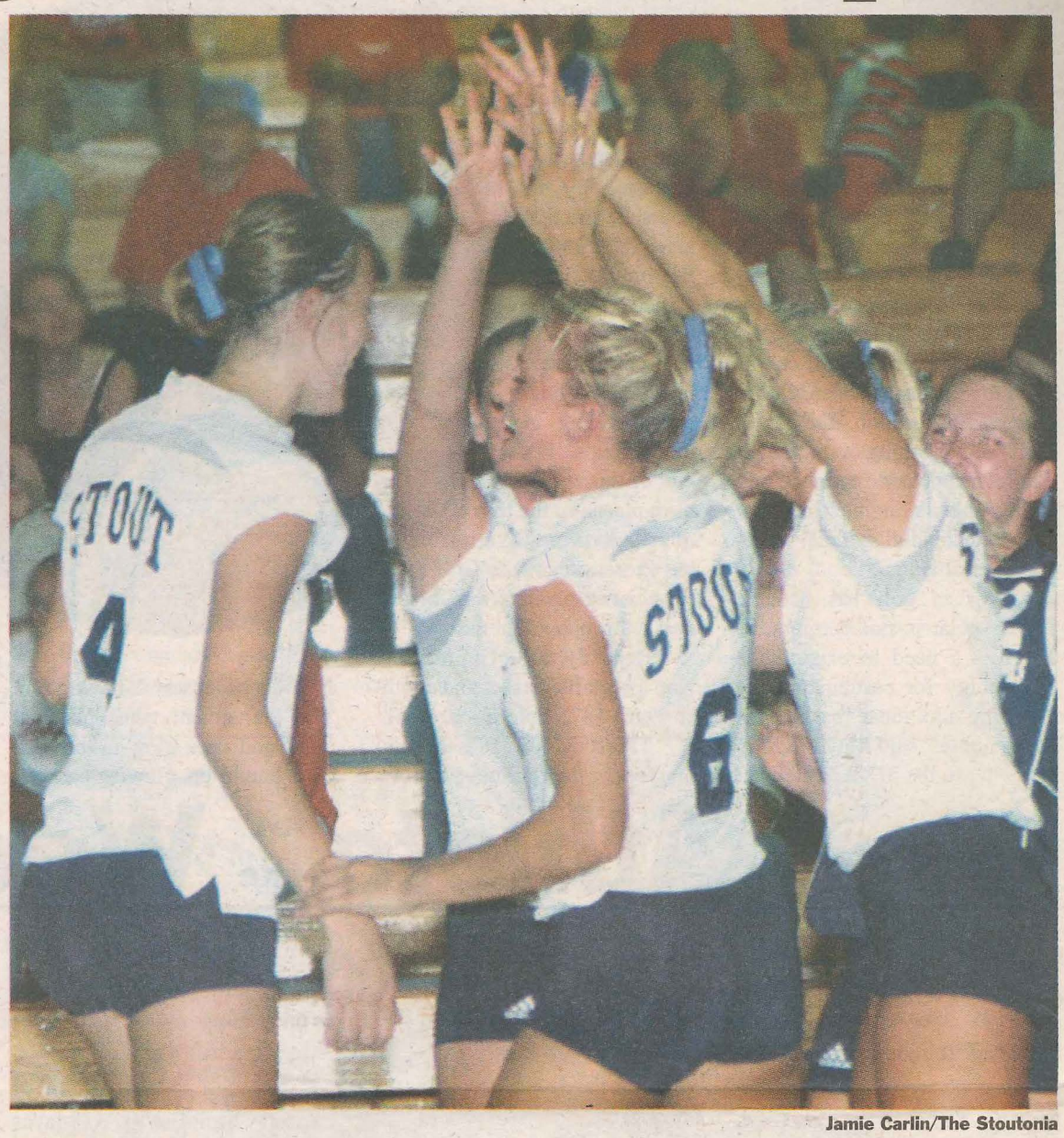
The volleyball team won 3-0 over La Crosse

Next Game:
Nov. 12 against winner of NCAA quarterfinal



Getting set for NCAA spike

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor



Jamie Carlin/The Stoutonia

The Blue Devil volleyball team won the WIAC conference tournament, advancing the team to the NCAA tournament. The team is on a 16-game winning streak and hopes to continue it in the tournament.

It looks as if all the hard work and dedication is starting to pay off for the University of Wisconsin-Stout volleyball team.

For the first time since 1998, the Blue Devils find themselves in the race for the NCAA title. The team qualified for the NCAA playoffs by winning the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament last weekend in Whitewater, Wis.

"We really hope to make it to the national final four in Rochester, Minn," said Lindsey Mensink. "It is a definite possibility if we just keep working hard."

The Blue Devils had finished second to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater in the regular season, but solid play by veteran talent got the Blue Devils the championship.

"I couldn't be more proud of the team," said head coach Jill Jolliff. "I am so happy that they have accomplished so much. One of the joys of coaching is seeing the smiles on their faces and hearing the excitement in their voices when they talk about winning the WIAC tournament and participating in the up-coming NCAA tournament."

In the quarterfinal match of the tournament, the Blue Devils faced the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. Mensink and Brooke Viegut each pounded 14 kills to lead UW-Stout to a 3-0 victory.

In the semi-final match, it took more effort to get the win. The Blue Devils faced the University of Wisconsin-Platteville who was ranked 13th in the nation at the time.

After opening up the match with two wins, the Pioneers bounced back, defeating the Blue Devils in game three. The Blue Devils would not let the Pioneers close the gap, as UW-Stout rolled in the final game 30-24. The win sent the team to its first WIAC championship match.

In the championship match, the Blue Devils were not to be denied. Tanille Hartwig, Mensink and Viegut put up big numbers to walk over the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse 3-0. Viegut led the team with 15 kills while Mensink accumulated 13 kills and Hartwig had 12. It was the first WIAC tournament championship in school history.

"The hard work and dedication that we have put in has definitely paid off," said Hartwig. "The feeling of winning the conference tournament was awesome and something that no one will ever take away from us. However, there are still goals to be achieved, so the hard work is not even close to being done."

The question is who can beat the Blue Devils? The team has not been beaten since Oct. 9, putting the Blue Devils on a 16-game winning streak. Not only is the win streak an amazing feat, but the team also has only dropped three games total in those 16 wins.

The Blue Devils will face either Concordia-Moorhead or Lakeland College in the first round of the NCAA tournament. Concordia-Moorhead posts a record of 23-3 while Lakeland College is 25-13.

Either winner is guaranteed a tough match when it comes time to face the Blue Devils.

"We are a great team and could not have accomplished what we have without each individual person," said Viegut. "The sense of pride and accomplishment that we have right now is very gratifying."

Soccer season slips away against the Titans

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The Blue Devil women's soccer team played in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Playoffs this weekend.

Unfortunately, their season came to a screeching halt when the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh defeated them in the first round of the playoffs.

With the Blue Devils being ranked number two in the conference, it was hoped that this was going to be the year that the University of Wisconsin-Stout would bring home a championship.

With both teams hungry for a win and wanting to move to the next round, it was going to be a huge win for either team. The WIAC tournament is a single game elimination event, and UW-Oshkosh came up with the win sending the Blue Devils home.

The game was up and down throughout the entire first half. Just before the end of the first 45 minutes, junior Kelly Stolarczyk dropped in a goal to tie the score at three, closing out the first half.

Senior Melissa Ballweg was a solid performer in the net making 13 saves, 10 in the second half, to keep the Blue Devils alive.

"We showed a tremendous amount of effort and heart on the field," said coach Dave Morris.

UW-Stout managed to keep the game tied deep into the second half, but wasn't able to hold the Titans long enough, as the team socked in two goals to secure the win.

The Titans out shot UW-Stout 28-7, which crippled the Blue Devils' defense and lead to the team allowing a season high of five goals.

It was UW-Stout's first time attending the semifinals. The only other time the team qualified was in 1995 when the Blue Devils won the "play in" game to squeak into the playoffs.

Overall, this season was full of success. The Blue Devils had a record of 13-3-2, the best record they have ever had.

The team finished 6-1 in the conference and finished second in the WIAC, which was how they earned a spot in the postseason this year.

On Friday, Carrie Schrank was named 2004 Academic All-District V College Division Women's Soccer Team for the second year in a row.

Schrank was also named to the All-WIAC soccer team along with Shannon Hermes, Stolarczyk and Ballweg.

Next year the women's soccer team will have lost four talented athletes. Those positions may be hard to replace.

Andrea Arvold on defense, mid-fielder Schrank, goal keeper Ballweg and mid-fielder Krista Hight, are all going to be moving on next year.

Next season will be a test for the Blue Devils, as many younger players will be forced to step up to keep the winning tradition of the soccer team alive.

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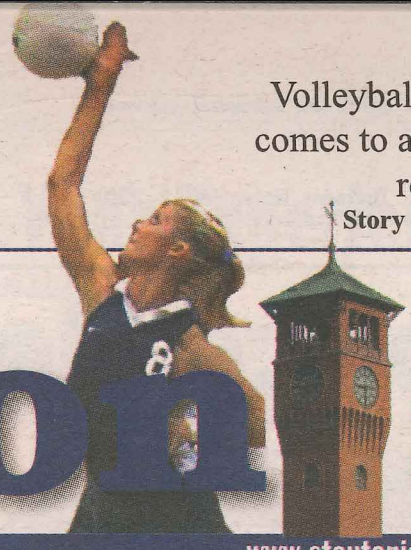

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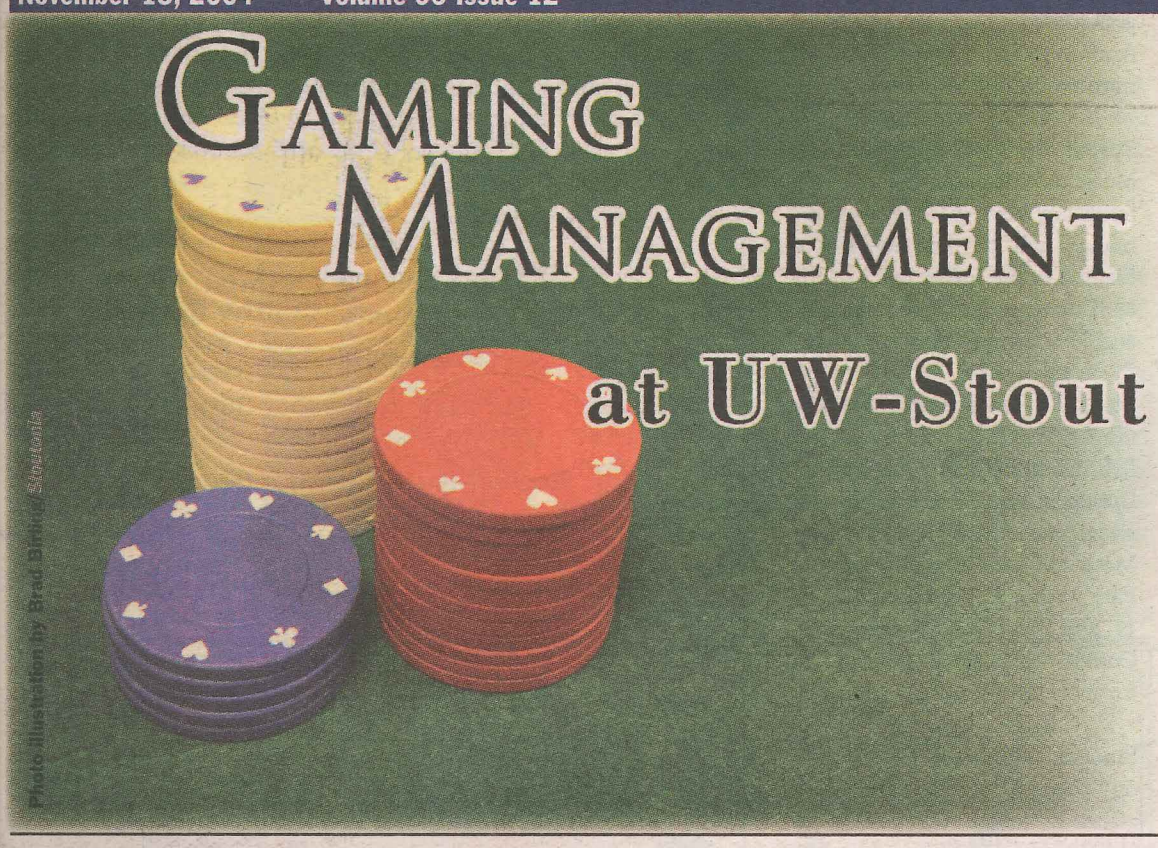

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Gaming Management at UW-Stout

By Jesse Young
News Writer

University of Wisconsin-Stout's department of hospitality and tourism now has a new minor degree and certificate in gaming management. UW-Stout is the only four-year university in the Midwest to offer this certificate and minor.

Professor Sharon Giroux of hospitality and tourism is the advisor for the gaming management program. The gaming management minor and certificate will provide an understanding of the operational aspects as well as the management techniques needed to supervise casino gaming. This minor/certificate is only offered to people who are of 21 years or older.

In order to obtain the minor, a student needs to complete four courses set forth by the hospitality and tourism department at UW-Stout.

The certificate is open to anyone who wishes to take the four courses. The courses are business, law, marketing, and accounting. For example, if an employee at a casino wishes to move up, they can come to UW-Stout and take the acquired courses, and they will get their certificate. An ethics class is not scheduled for this program.

"National Native American tribes, in particular, have heard about the certificate and their response has been very positive," said Giroux.

"There is a real need for management positions at

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First Year Experience changing freshmen

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

With the success of the freshman programs this year, Housing and Residence Life has initiated a new program in order to increase the positive effects for first year students.

First Year Experience (FYE), as the program is called, has been at the center of debate amongst students and the administration. There has been discussion as to whether the program will be effective, although other universities with similar programs have shown positive results.

The Stout Student Association (SSA) heard a presentation on Tuesday night from Scott Griesbach, director of Housing and Residence Life.

In typical situations involving students, the administration and other departments are required by state statute 36.09 to consult the faculty and student governments.

There has been much concern that proper steps were not taken regarding the implementation of FYE. Some members of SSA contend that shared governance was not observed, and that they have some concerns about the program.

A chief complaint of students is that they will be forced to live in a particular place. First year students will only be able to live on South Campus, and second year students, except those with disabilities will only be able to live on North Campus. Some students have a particular preference for one over the other, and now they will not be able to stay where they prefer.

Also of concern is that "squatter's rights" are no longer being observed. This was a rule that allowed students to stay in the same room for the next year if they chose, and gave them first rights to that room over other students.

In the current plan, students will be forced to move from South Campus to North Campus after freshman year, and there will be no chance to stay in the same room, possibly jeopardizing roommate situations.

"I would like for [housing and residence life] to revise the program to accommodate the input of students," said Bradley Stafford, student body president. "I think the living situation is the biggest issue students have with the program."

Currently, student government input was not taken about the north campus/south campus issue, although student input is being planned for all committees to determine the programming from here forward.

During the program presented by Griesbach to the SSA, Stafford asked why shared governance was not taken into account with this program.

"[FYE] is not a change in policy, it is a change in operating procedure," said Griesbach. He explained that since there is not a change in policy, it was not required for the program to be presented for consideration by those involved in the shared governance programs.

The disagreement stems from the fact that student government was not present or consulted in the creation of this program.

The FYE program is one of nine implementation plans considered to be a part of the Chancellor's Focus 2010 planning process.

Listed within the implementation plan from the Focus 2010 documents are the members of the FYE program. A student from SSA and IRHA are both listed, although no names are given. Eight other faculty or staff are listed by name.

"Any assertion that students do not have a shared governance role to play due to semantics is simply false," said Dave Hay, former student body president for the SSA. "The Wisconsin Legislature was clear when it created this system of Shared Governance, and litigation since that time has defended and enhanced the students' right and responsibility to be at the governance table."

Wisconsin Statute 36.09(5) reads "The students of each institution of campus subject to responsibilities and the powers of the board, the president, the chancellor, and the faculty shall be active participants in immediate governance of and policy development for such institutions. As such, students shall have the primary responsibility for the formulation and the reviews of policies concerning student life services and interests. Students in consultation with the chancellor and subject to the final confirmation of the board shall have the responsibility for the disposition of those student's fees, which constitutes substantial support for campus student activities. The students each institution of campus shall have the right to organize themselves in a manner they determine and to select their representatives to participate in institutional governance."

In a similar disagreement between the faculty and administration of UW-Platteville in 1992 titled Spoto vs. UW System Board of Regents, the faculty of UW-Platteville was not consulted about a change in distribution of a salary increase. Shared governance applies to

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Few Showers
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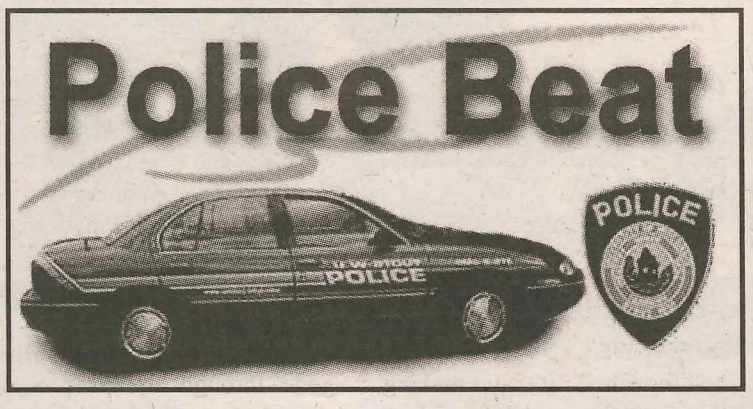

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Nov. 8 to Nov. 16
First offense underage drinking: 7. Third offense underage drinking: 1. Possession of drug marijuana: 1. Public urination: 1

EMTs are good to have around
Police responded on Nov. 10 to a student having a seizure in the Memorial Student Center. The student was a known diabetic who had been having seizures. She was taken to the Myrtle Werth Medical Center emergency room for treatment.

Everyone has done it
A student approached an officer in UW-Stout parking lot 6 on Nov. 15 regarding having locked her keys in her car. The officer unsuccessfully attempted to open the car. The student was advised to contact Parking Services to extend her permission to park in lot 6. The student said that she was having a spare set of keys sent to her from her home in Somerset, Wis.

Stealing from the new dorm?
On Nov. 16, officers noticed that the construction site's west side gate, off of 3rd St. West, was not secured. The officer checked the area and found no one inside the fenced area. The officer secured the gate, but it is unknown if anything was taken or tampered with.

Watch out for the monsoon season.

NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

The November Tech-talk Business Briefing will be featuring the Chippewa Valley Technical College. Sue Brown will be providing an overview of CVTC from 9-10 a.m., Friday, Nov. 19 in room 205 of Millenium Hall.

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Sufjan Stevens, a singer and musican will perform at 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 20. The performance will be held in Huff's, located in the lower level of the MSC. Cost is $5 for students and $7 for public.

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Stout Adventures will be running a WinTerm trip to Whitefish, Mont. Taking the Empire Builder Amtrak line, the trip will allow participants to ski at Big Mountain, see Glacier National Park, or both. The trip is Jan. 3-11, and cost is $335 for students. Contact saxmanb@uwstout.edu for more information.

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Students at UW-Stout in biology courses are a part of a larger effort to insure the quality of Gilbert Creek. While learning about biology, the students are taking part in stream monitoring, and using classtime to study the stream, learning by actually doing. The project has shown students the importance the creek has in our local watershed, and has given the city valuable information regarding the trends in the stream. "It is an important partnership for everyone involved," said Krista James, biology professor. "For the students, its not just collecting data, they also get the opportunity to recommend improvements and point to specific things that can be done." With the help of students and UW-Stout funding, the project will have positive impacts for everyone in the city.

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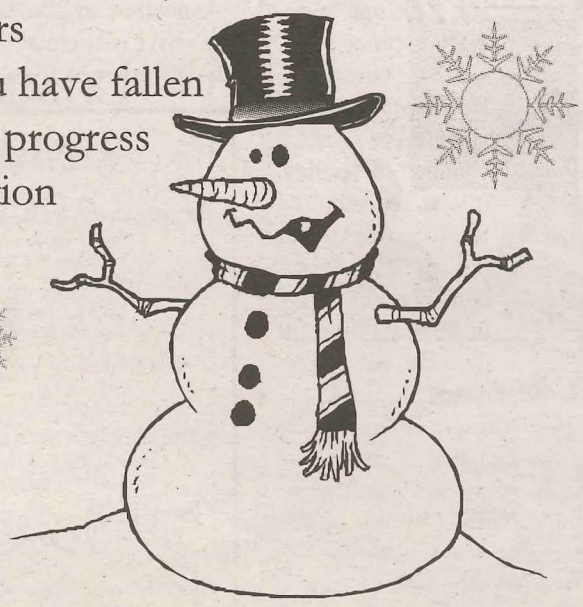

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Gaming / *new program*

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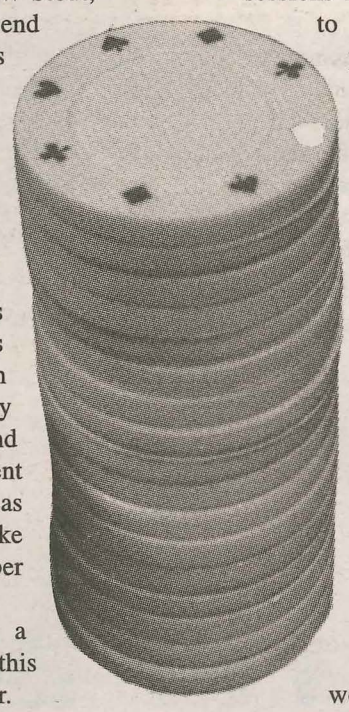
casinos these days, and with this program at UW-Stout, local casinos can send their employees here to get the required training," said Giroux. "The local casinos are delighted to hear that we are offering this program, it makes it easier on them because now they don't have to send their management employees to Las Vegas or Lake Tahoe for the proper training."



This is not a gambling minor, this is a gaming minor.

Giroux also takes students to gambling addictions sessions in order for them to understand the possible problems that can occur from gambling. Gambling is an active and not passive activity, which is easily addicting.

The hospitality and tourism department usually takes students on field trips to many of the surrounding casinos in order to show them how the management works, and what the benefits are in this category. They traveled to the Grand Casino in Hinckley, Minn., last April, and they are going be traveling to Treasure Island in Red Wing, Minn. this Friday.

Treasure Island currently employs at least three UW-Stout graduates.

"There have been many transfers here to UW-Stout, and a lot of graphic design students have come and switched to our gaming management program," said Giroux.

"Currently there are 450 students in the hospitality and tourism program, and I believe there will be a lot more in the years to come."

Next year, the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in Green Bay is going to have a two year degree in gaming management as well.

First Year Experience

Implementation a source of conflict

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UW-System schools, and must be upheld when making such decisions.

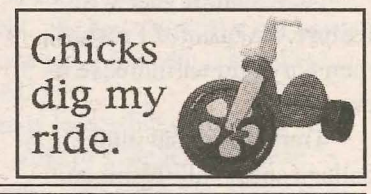
In Spoto vs. UW System Board of Regents, Judge George A.W. Northrup of Dane County Circuit Court ruled in favor of the UW-Platteville Faculty, upholding Ch. 36.09, and making this case the model for future disputes about shared governance.

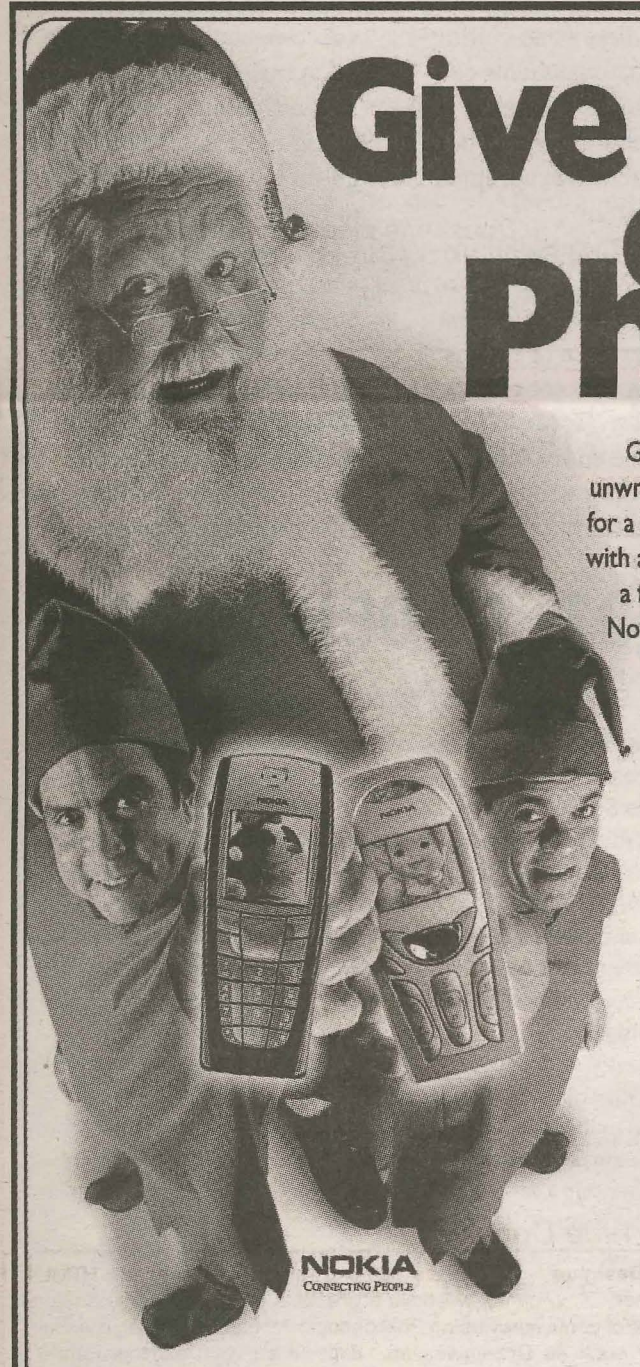
By this statute, Stafford interprets it to mean that no matter what the change was, since FYE involves students, shared governance should be taken into account when deciding the details of the program.

While the details of this program are important, what is more important to the SSA is the precedent being set. Shared governance is a right of students and state law, which must be respected. Some members of SSA student senate, as well as the president are concerned that if this were to go unnoticed, it could allow for future bypassing of Ch. 36.09.

In the past, programs such as the laptop initiative have gone through the process of shared governance and had input from student government, however other agreements such as the university's agreement with Pepsi was not reviewed by the SSA.

"[Our concern] is in two parts, the lack of shared governance, and the respect of student opinion," said Stafford.





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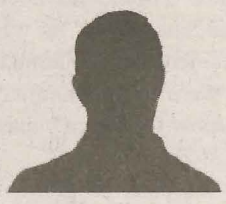
Freshmen City coming next year



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Good news students. Now you can enroll all you want!

Well that's not entirely true, but now that the university is thinking about lifting the enrollment caps, the campus could be changing and growing.

Next school year will feature the birth of Freshmen City and an increase in enrollment.

Translating that into college speak, all freshmen will live on South Campus, and there will be a lot of them. It will be crazy, like a Star Wars convention at M.I.T.

This increase in freshmen, along with the segregation of the campus, could bring a new order to our hectic lives.

If you don't see the obvious logic behind that statement, don't feel bad. There isn't any.

Taking a look at the plus side of this proposed situation, we find that where there are more freshmen, there is more money coming in and, for upperclassmen, avoiding freshmen will be much easier.

Note to all freshmen: college students don't actually hate freshmen. We were all freshmen once, some of us twice.

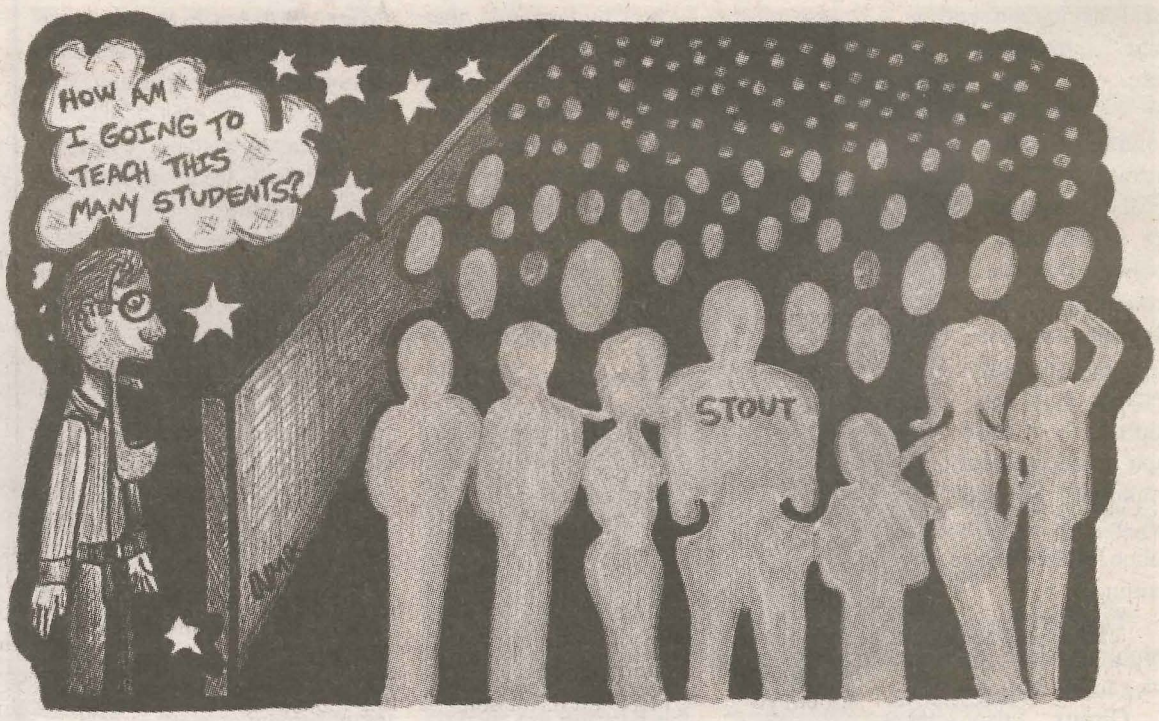
Now when we look at the negative part of this Freshmen City plan, we see some of the realistic aspects.

Upperclassmen do not want to live farther away from campus. They just don't want to live in the dorms. So, it's possible that forcing them from South Campus will cause more to live off campus.

Class sizes are already too large. Can you imagine an entire class of students not knowing what to do? Of course you can, you're in college. Now think about your biggest class getting bigger.

By putting all the freshmen on South Campus, upperclassmen would have no reason to go there, unless of course they have classes.

This program is not exactly a clear-cut step forward or backward. But



it is going to happen, so get used to the idea.

You might have been wondering what is an enrollment cap?

What is, "a cap on the number of students that can be enrolled in a program?" is the answer in Jeopardy lingo.

A cap to a program, graphic design for instance, would be put in place to ensure the quality of learning within that program. The idea is that the professors within said program can only handle so many students, so there is a cap.

Now with the cap being removed there is no ceiling for how many students can be enrolled, but there are still requirements that must be met in order to be accepted into a program.

Part of the new Freshmen City Plan, or as the university is calling it First Year Experience (FYE), is that dorms will not close over breaks. Dorms will be open for the entire school year including winter and spring breaks, but closed during the summer.

If this program is a success, and the freshmen all get used to living on South Campus, aren't they going to be upset when they get to move all the way up to North Campus? Let's not kid around, North Campus is a different lifestyle than South Campus.

Getting ready for class on South Campus includes a five-minute walk. North Campus is fifteen minutes away - if you're walking like killer bees are after you.

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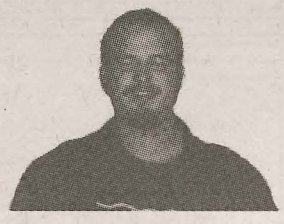
How many of us have the goal of being happy

You should wake up in the morning and say, "Yesterday was very nice and today should be just super."



Joe Spraggon
Columnist

I've been using the *Stoutonia* all semester for my own personal little toy. Anyone who has read my opinion articles-especially my first-might have already picked up on this. But perhaps "toy" is the wrong term? Maybe "journal" is a much better term?

Right now I'm sitting at my computer, late at night, when I should be doing some extremely important homework. Instead, I find myself typing this article. Why? I'll get to that.

First, I want to pose a question to you, the faithful reader. Are you happy with your life? I mean really happy?

Do you wake up in the morning and say " Ya know, yesterday was very nice and today should be just super," or some version of that? I hope so; I genuinely do.

I'm not entirely sure that I am happy with mine. I'm not trying to complain, or make some pathetic attempt to get sympathy; I'm only making an honest statement from observing my own behavior.

You see I feel like I'm jumping through an awful lot of hoops at the moment, and I don't really care for it all that much. I guess the proper way to describe what I'm feeling is that I don't feel like I am in control of my life.

I'm often torn with the idea of pursuing what I choose to do as opposed to what I have to do.

I'll be truthful here; there have been times when I have skipped class for no other reason than to prove to myself that I still had control of how my day proceeds.

> *"Yesterday was very nice and today should be just super."*

I'm not proud of this; in fact it is a terrible waste of money, and my instructors have a habit of predicting this mannerism and end up holding a quiz that day. This precognitive power they hold is very frustrating.

For me, much of this mentality can be summed up in the film "Office Space." Peter Gibbons is my personal hero. He does what he wants for his own self-satisfaction. He doesn't go about this in a selfish manner, instead seeks to help his friends accomplish the same goal. Happiness.

How many of us have come to Stout not with the goals of money, fame, or finding a mate, but instead just setting out to explore our lives with the goal of being happy?

Go ahead; take a look around and examine your life. This may take awhile so I'll wait… All done? Cool. How does it look? Do you have control? Are you happy? I'm not talking about where you think you may end up in the future, I'm talking about right now.

If the answer is "no," then maybe you should rethink some of your decisions. I know I have. I think we, the student body, would do well to comprehend that we do have control of our environment.

Many of us, and I'm just as guilty, feel that "the way things are" is normal. Rising tuition is normal and should be expected-which is happening again next fall. Parking meters are just a normal part of living in town.

Since when is it such an honor to park on the Menomonie streets that we have to pay to do it? What if we were to simply stop doing it? Not in groups of 10 or 20 but in thousands. I mean the vast majority of us. What if we all decided that we no longer wanted to pay to park our cars? How does December 1 sound like to begin this practice?

Now, why did I write this when I should have been doing my homework? Because it was my choice to do so. Not because I had to but because it was my choice.

We all make choices everyday as individuals and many of them involve things that we feel are unjust. Never forget that while we are paying for our education, we are the customers and the University of Wisconsin System, our employee. So why is the employee running the show?

Letters to the Editor

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The choice comes before pregnancy

First off, Mr. Legg we all know you're not God.

Pro-life is not the same as being pro-war. No one likes war. To even compare war with abortion is completely irrational, not to mention absurd. Pro-choice people believe that ALL morality is "relative," therefore we should all be able to do what we please (murder, rape, incest) because some people might believe that it is OK!

Yes innocent civilians are killed in war, but a the same time we are liberating thousands upon thousands of civilians from a sick barbaric dictator, i.e. Saddam Hussein. We are opening new doors for these people like never before. For example, voting, school, a police force, a National Guard, and freedom of religion.

It sounds to me like you believe that there is NO cause worth fighting for. How about freeing oppressed people, or religion?

People such as you interpret pro-war as an aggressive, empire-building megalomania. There ARE just causes, such as to squelch evil! The left cannot accept the fact that as good exists, SO DOES EVIL!

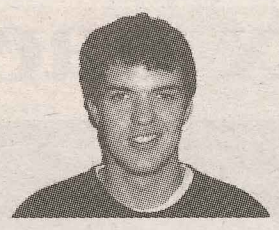
The brutal dismembering of innocent humans inside the womb, while they are still alive, IS evil as surely as taking down the twin towers on Sept. 11th, and/or randomly killing thousands just to make a statement.

Over 1,000 soldiers have been killed in Iraq thus far. Do you know how many humans have been aborted since the Roe v. Wade ruling in 1973? The count is just over 40,000,000! That's right, FOURTY MILLION!

Wake up you "choice" people! The choice comes before the pregnancy!

Dan Eaton
UW-Stout Student

This is freedom



Brian Legg
Columnist

The lines are being drawn for a cultural war within our borders. There are those who want to promote freedom by restricting it at every turn in the name of morality and security, and there are those who just want to be free. Patriot Act versus actual patriotism.

Our great haven of liberty is being shaped by a very restrictive wave of conservatism. In every state where the option existed, gay marriages were banned. Heaven forbid two people should want to profess their commitment to each other and gain the societal benefits that accompany such a vow.

I thought this country was the land of the free and home of the brave. It seems that we're becoming the land of the intolerant and scared. Our government wants us to fear terrorism, liberalism and any other "ism" that threatens the stability and control it seeks to impose upon us.

A fearful and unquestioning populous is the easiest to govern that much is for sure. I don't care, take away my privacy, I have nothing to hide. Freedom isn't free after all. You know what, that's a crock. Freedom is free; it's the luxury and convenience we enjoy in this country that comes with a price.

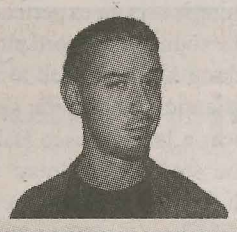
I respect the men and women who fight and die to keep things easy for us. It's not their fault that their country is ridiculously greedy. It's not their fault that their former CEOs screwed with other countries and installed brutal dictators which oppressed the people they are now trying to free.

America: the great consumer. We suck up well more than our fair share of the planet's resources and produce well more than our fair share of waste. What great stewards we are. What a great example we set for the world we "lead."

But we don't really want everyone else to have it as well as we do. No, there just wouldn't be enough to go around if we were to do that. That's why we are so armed and so omnipresent in the world. We have to protect our assets at all costs lest our precious stability be disturbed.

Steady leadership in times of change. And by change, they mean regression. They want less freedom, a greater divide of wealth, and above all a more stable, God-fearing society. Every empire runs its course and is eventually consumed by its own paranoia and greed. It's too bad that ours had such good intentions. Now is the time for America to rediscover its identity as the shining example of freedom and democracy. The nation that was suspicious of the consequence of excessive authority, not two people in love.

I feel bad I even like this, but well, I have to watch it



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

There is something weighing heavy on my heart as I sit and type these words at my desk, in my darkened room. I'm not sure I should be saying the things that follow, and you'll see why later, but for now lets just say that strange forces are at work and may try to stop me.

My thoughts this week concern a recent plague on our eyes and ears from one of my favorite devices, you may know it as the television.

These very same thoughts also concern a specific show, one that since its inception has triggered a strange reaction in myself, and others around me as well. This show goes by many names, but its true title is "Laguna Beach."

I'll admit that to some of you, those two words sound less than ominous, but that's probably because you haven't seen the program in question. It's not a good show, not by any means, especially because of its concept.

For those that don't know "Laguna Beach" is a show about a bunch of insipid rich high school kids living in California, and is sold to viewers with the tagline "A real life OC." Blech.

By the same token, "Laguna Beach" is not seemingly evil in its attempts at cheap voyeuristic entertainment. But that isn't where the trouble lies. The real problem with this particular reality show is the seemingly magical hypnotic powers it has over viewers of the show, even seemingly very intelligent ones. These accusations even sound far fetched to me upon reading this back to myself, but I swear it's true. I'll prove it.

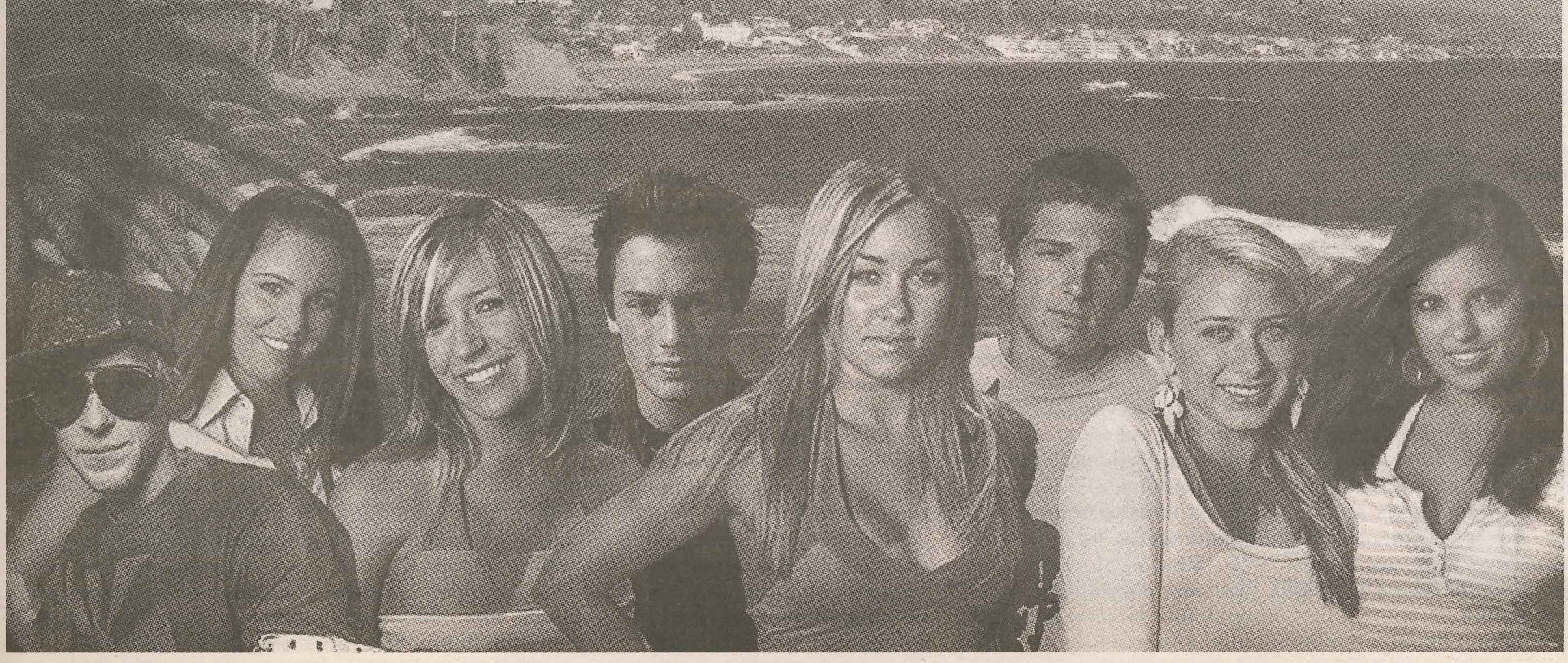
A good friend of mine, who generally has very good taste in television, accidentally caught the show on MTV once, and even though he felt a bit dimmer afterwards, he watched again, the show calling to him like a siren song that leads sailors into the Bermuda Triangle or something. This pattern continued until he ended up downloading as many episodes as he could find online. When asked why, he could only respond:

"I feel bad that I even like this, but well, I have to watch it."

Hmm…

Another friend of mine commented on the fact that whenever she flips through the channels, "Laguna Beach" seems to always be on. Not most of the time, but always. That's actually the only reason she's even seen the show, because of the girth of time slots it's been given. Again, hmmm…

I myself have watched the first episode of "Laguna Beach" with one of the aforementioned friends over pizza. While I admit it was dull-witted and trivial, at the same time I couldn't bring myself to not watch it. I've only scratched the surface of this, I think. Lets just hope that when I get past the tip of the iceberg, I don't end up shipwrecked.



A lunchbox packed with memories

By Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

Crackled notes ring through the air as time-weathered melodies play from the record player to your left. You have stepped back in time into a world of tin lunchboxes and grandmas' purses. Overcome with nostalgia, you sort through the shelves and racks of memories and find more than you came looking for.

Johnny Lunchbox, a store located on Menomonie's Main Street, offers vintage items for affordable prices. Within the three rooms that make up the store, everything from wigs to harmonicas are sold.

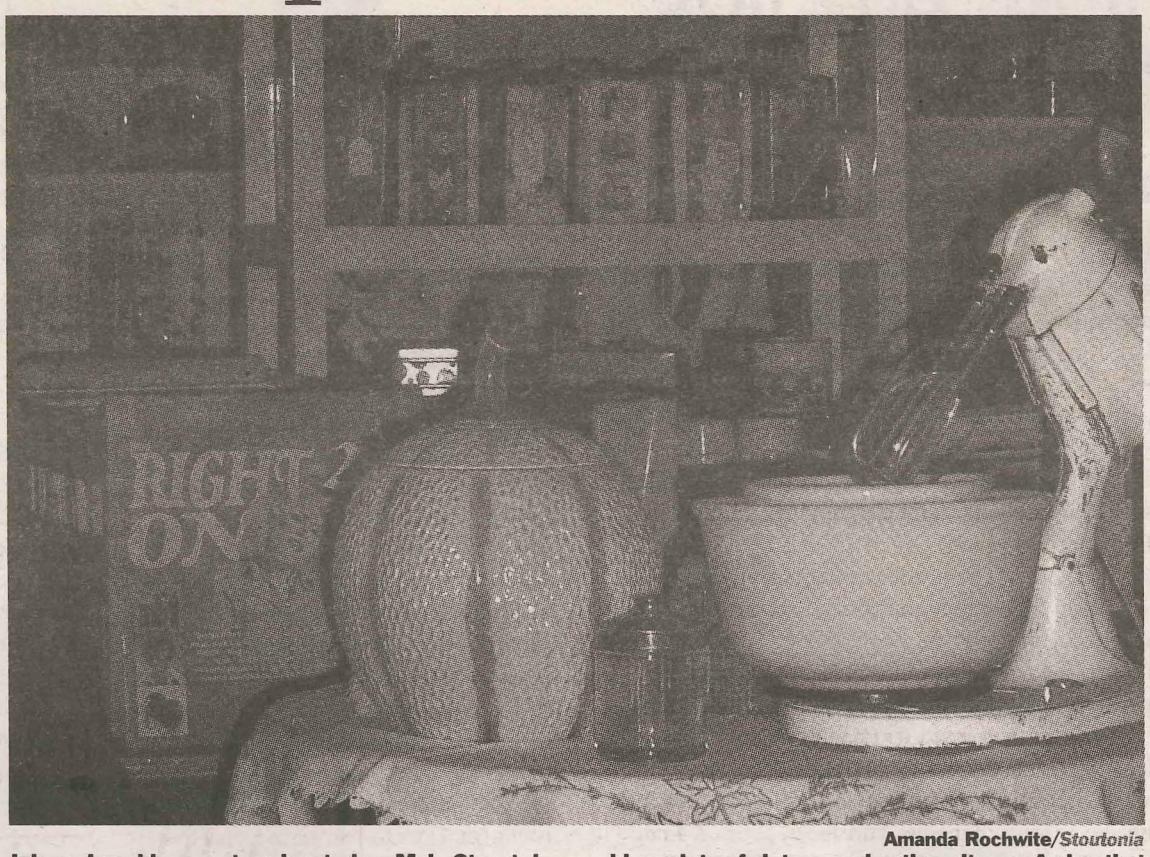
"The store is a great mix of antiques, toys, housewares, clothing, accessories, you name it," said Emily Siems Roberson, a junior in apparel design and development. "No other store in Menomonie has that kind of variety. In every little nook and cranny there's something to see."

Open since April 2002, the store originated as a sort of experiment between two co-workers. Renee Carrell, the store's owner, and Mike Tarr, the manager of Penco, watched as stores would open in Menomonie and fold shortly after.

"Main Street was dead," said Carrell. "We wondered what business you could open in Menomonie that would actually succeed. It was like a challenge."

That challenge turned into a business venture the two of them went into together.

"We started looking at spaces and that kind of got the ball rolling," said Carrell. "The more we looked at spaces, the more excited we got."



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Johnny Lunchbox, a store located on Main Street, has a wide variety of vintage and antique items. A sign that says Disco Baby is the most expensive object, priced at $750. Buttons for 10 cents are the cheapest.

For the past two and a half years, the store has sustained itself. While Carrell is now the sole proprietor, she has never had to take money out of her personal income in order to maintain the store.

Johnny Lunchbox also hasn't had a problem remaining stocked with vintage items. Carrell finds the items at other thrift sales, buys them from people who come to the store to sell or from friend and fellow junk junkie, Jon Anderson of Menomonie.

Anderson makes his living by finding and purchasing antiquated objects and selling them to people over the Internet. He has built up a network of people who know where to find things, so if a person goes to Johnny Lunchbox searching for a particular item, Carrell often passes it on to Anderson to find. This helps maintain a wide range of items in the store, as well as catering to the needs of collectors.

"There are a couple other antique stores around town, but Johnny's always has very unique items; things that collectors look for," said Rae Seamans, a junior in apparel design and development. "My boyfriend likes it because it's the only place in town you can get 8-tracks."

People shop there for a variety of reasons ranging from purchasing gifts to dressing up for college theme parties. Many just enjoy the possibility of finding something rare or like the atmosphere of the store.

"There is a wide array and a lot of room," said Anderson. "She's moving stuff around all the time, so its fun for people to come in. This is a great shop."

Many apparel design students like to shop there for the vintage clothing.

"[I got] this darling pair of peep toe pumps from what we're guessing are the 1940s," said Siems Roberson. "They're sheer black and have patent heels with little matching patent bows on the toes. I just love them."

Besides selling second-hand goods, Johnny Lunchbox also does fashion shows, movie nights and serves as a gallery.

The fashion show for 2005, Cheap Date II: Fashion Without Finance, is tentatively scheduled for Feb. 13. Carrell expects that there will be approximately 30 outfits featured and the only stipulations to enter are that the outfit must be at least 50 percent recycled, and the designer needs to find their own model. Designers can sign up on the Johnny Lunchbox Web site (www.johnnylunchbox.com) or at the store by Dec. 3.

Movie nights feature short 10-15 minute films from the 50s, 60s and 70s and are shown in the store's annex. The next movie night will be held on Nov. 20.

"People get really into it," said Carrell.

In the summer, the store also serves as an art gallery where artists can sell their works.

Carrell is satisfied with the current state of the store, but in the future she would like to be able to make enough money to quit her job at Penco, which is the reason for the store's short hours.

"I would like to spend more time here and tweak it into a better shop," said Carrell.

Those who shop at Johnny Lunchbox agree that the store is more than just a place to buy things; it is an experience. From the sound of a record pin running along a plastic disc to the sight of antique television sets sitting near a large "Disco Baby" sign, the store offers more than just a few good deals; it offers a reflective look into the not-so-distant past.

Late night studying leads to health problems

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

Every night, after the bars close and the town of Menomonie is asleep, there are pockets of students in dorm basements and in the Applied Arts building who are still hard at work. Some of them will not sleep at all during the night.

The Applied Arts building closes at midnight, but that means very little to industrial design (ID) students who are hard at work around the clock.

"I'm in [the art building] half of my natural life," said Dave Prince, a junior in ID.

"Last week I had a total of eight hours of sleep from Monday through Thursday," said Jim Krueger, a senior in ID. "At times, I have worked all night in the lab and afterwards walked right over to my 8 a.m. class."

Some ID majors say they get sick often because they hardly ever sleep, and because they work surrounded by others who are sick.

"After I turned in my last project," said Shaelyn Benson, a junior in ID, "I got so sick; I missed a whole day of school."

"I never go to the doctor," said Laura Strand, a junior majoring in ID. "I don't even have time to see a doctor."

"I think [going on very little sleep all the time] is very unhealthy for students," said Logan Erikson, a junior in ID.

Several ID students also agree that their eating habits suffer due to their long working hours and the limited food venues that are open during the hours they work.

"We need a food stand [that is open all night]," said Prince.

Art students are notorious for working late at night; however, there are students in other majors who also work very hard.

Funke Adenle, a senior in hospitality, tourism and restaurant management, is active in several student organizations and tends to work late into the night.

"[One night], I went to the basement computer lab to do homework at about 11 p.m.," said Adenle. "Before I even realized it, it was 8 a.m."

To catch up on sleep, Adenle takes naps between classes.

"When I made my schedule for this semester, I spaced my classes apart so that I can take naps," said Adenle.

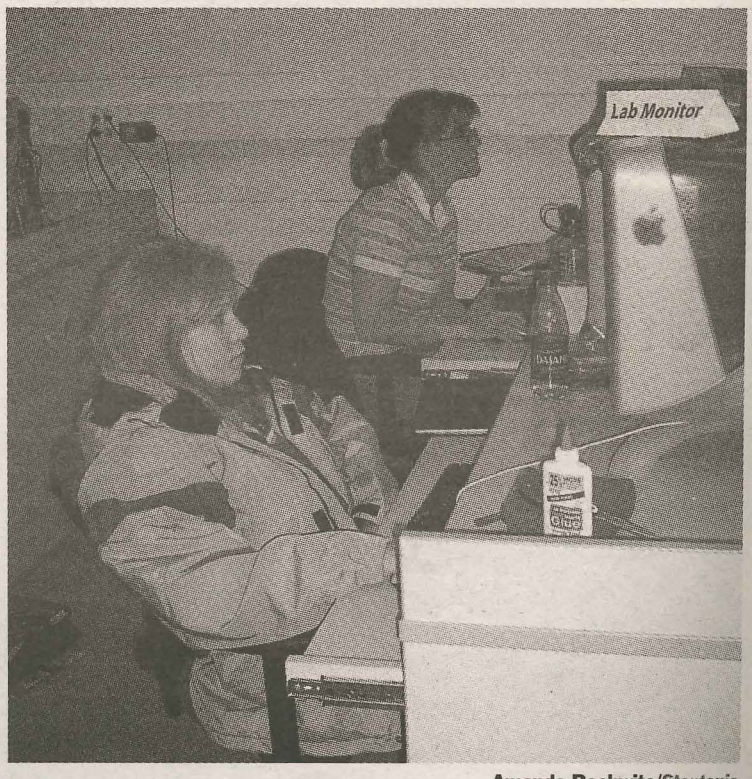
Adenle says she often uses relaxation pills to get to sleep when she needs to.

Some students may use alcohol to catch up on sleep; however, alcohol actually disturbs sleep. Intoxicated people may appear to sleep, but when their bodies are actually hard at work to remove the alcohol's toxins.

Sleep deprivation among college students is not a new problem, but some national surveys say it is a growing problem that affects students' academic performances.

Considering the negative effects of sleep deprivation, the efficacy of losing sleep to study may be difficult to justify.

The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute reports that sleep deprived young adults risk suffering from shortened memory and attention span, depression, relationship problems and injuries due to accidents.



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Students who work on homework late into the night are potentially harming their academic performance as well as their health.

The National Institute of Health says young adults require seven to nine hours of sleep each night.

Many students sleep less in order to study; but if those students got more sleep, their study time could be more productive.

Trouble-free Thanksgiving treats

Sweet potatoes, stuffing, pumpkin pie and cranberries without Mom's help

Katie Bader
Student Life Writer

Turkeys, stuffing, cranberries, sweet potatoes, green bean casserole, pumpkin pie, cranberry bread and a nap. These are all common Thanksgiving traditions.

Turkey is obviously the main event in the Thanksgiving meal. Minnesota is often one of the leading states in turkey production in the United States and 95 percent of Americans enjoy turkey on Thanksgiving. Thankfully, turkey is very nutritious, containing low amounts of fat and high amounts of protein.

That nap that everyone loves to take after the big meal is not only caused by the amino acid, tryptophan, found in turkey, but also by the high-carbohydrate meal.

If you're living away from home and aren't going to make it back for Thanksgiving, enjoying these Thanksgiving traditions can be tough. Turkey can be a little difficult to make, along with all the fixings. If you want to enjoy turkey on Thanksgiving, but don't want to buy a whole bird, there are different options you can try.

Buy sliced turkey breast and top it with Sara Lee cranberry mustard and make yourself a sandwich.

Or you could buy a turkey roast for only about $2.50, and cook it in the oven for about two hours. The pan and gravy are included. The turkey roast takes about two hours to fully bake, but once you dig in, it is pretty delicious, although the texture is a bit untraditional.

"The flavor is delicious, but the texture is a little bit weird," said Brittany Falk, an undecided freshman.

If you are celebrating Thanksgiving with a lot of friends, you could buy a whole turkey breast, a little more expensive than the turkey roast, but smaller than a whole turkey, and bake that in the oven also. The whole turkey breast would be the most expensive, and the most flavorful option.

When asked what her favorite things about Thanksgiving are, Heather Zell, a junior in packaging replied, "The food, especially the turkey and potatoes."

This recipe is for anyone whose favorite Thanksgiving treat is the sweet potatoes. If you are cooking the Thanksgiving meal this holiday or just want to indulge your sweet potato cravings early, this quick, microwave recipe would be worth a shot.

Marshmallow Sweet Potatoes

1 can yams

1 1/2 handfuls of little marshmallows

1. Pour the yams into a microwave safe container (such as glass). Microwave on high about 3 minutes or until hot.

2. Stir the marshmallows into the hot yams. Cover and let sit about 1 minute or until marshmallows are melted.

Thanksgiving isn't Thanksgiving without the stuffing.

"I'm all about the stuffing," said Quinn Lenz, a junior in business.

A package of stuffing mix is relatively cheap and can be made in the microwave, stovetop or in the turkey.

Traditional Stuffing

Stuffing mix

1/4 cup butter or margarine

1. Pour 1 2/3 cup of water, and 1/4 cup of butter in a microwave-safe container

2. Place in microwave for about 3 minutes or until butter is melted and water is almost boiling.

3. Stir in the stuffing mix,

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Recipes /*Delicious Turkey Day fixings*

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any extras and let stand for 5 minutes*

4. Stir again

*To add a little extra flavor to the regular packaged stuffing, add raisins, apples, celery, nuts or any other of you favorite foods. Do not be afraid to get creative.

Everyone knows cranberries are a necessary attribute to the Thanksgiving feast. Each family has its own traditions, from canned cranberries, to ground cranberries, to cranberry Jell-O. Here is a cranberry recipe that can be made in the microwave or on the stovetop. Be careful, this recipe requires the cranberries to be chopped, so watch those fingers.

Sweet Orange Cranberries

1 pkg (12 oz) fresh or frozen cranberries

1 medium orange

3 heaping Tbsp. sugar, more or less to taste

1. Chop the cranberries and orange into medium-sized chunks and place in a microwave-safe dish.

2. Mix in the sugar.

3. Stirring once every minute microwave on high for 3 1/2 minutes or until cranberries are soft and mushy.

The perfect finale to every thanksgiving feast is the pumpkin pie. Here is a type of pumpkin cream pie, although a little untraditional, it is no bake and requires little work.

Easy Pumpkin Cream Pie

1 (9 inch) graham cracker crust

1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin puree

1 (5 ounce) package instant vanilla pudding mix

1 cup milk

1 tsp pumpkin pie spice

2 cups frozen whipped cream

1. Combine pumpkin, pudding mix, milk and pumpkin pie spice in large bowl; beat for 1 minute or until blended.

2. Fold in 1 1/2 cups whipped topping.

3. Spoon into crust.

4. Freeze for at least 4 hours or until firm. Let stand in refrigerator 1 hour before serving.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia

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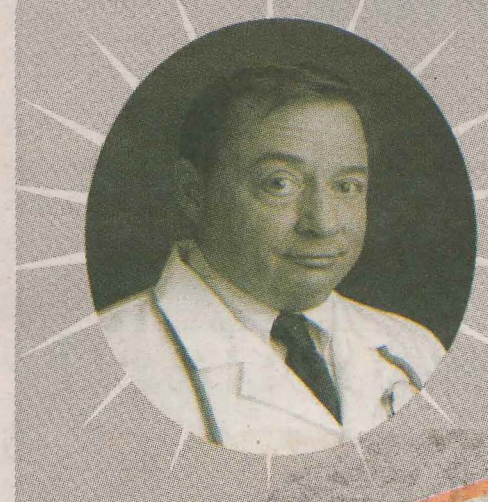

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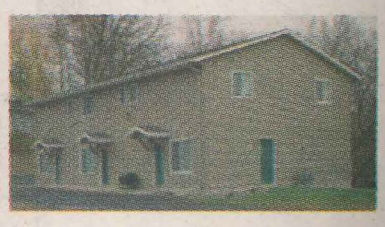

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November 18 to November 25

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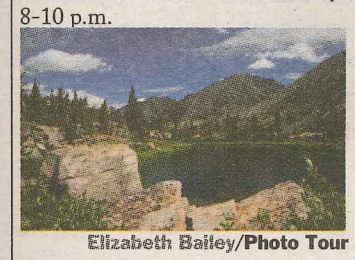
>Gallery Opening: West Coast Photo Tour, Birch Gallery, 8-10 p.m.



Elizabeth Bailey/Photo Tour

>Music: Patty Larkin, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., $16 students.
>Halo 2 Tournament, Rec Center Thursday Night Out, 8 p.m., free.

Friday, Nov. 19
>Music: Mitch McVicter, Blind Munchies, 7 p.m., free.
>Hockey vs. Hamline, 7:30 p.m. at the Dunn County Rec. Court.

Saturday, Nov. 20
>Music:Sufjan Stevens, Huff's, 8 p.m., $5 students.
> Men's Basketball vs. Colorado College in Pueblo, CO, 3 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 21
No events scheduled.

Monday, Nov. 22
No events scheduled.

Tuesday, Nov. 23
Women's Basketball vs. Northwestern, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 24
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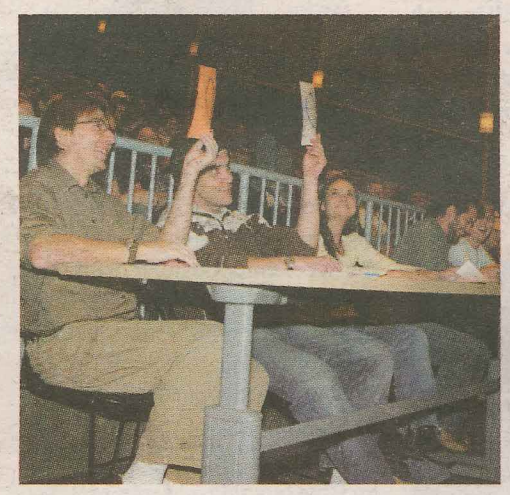
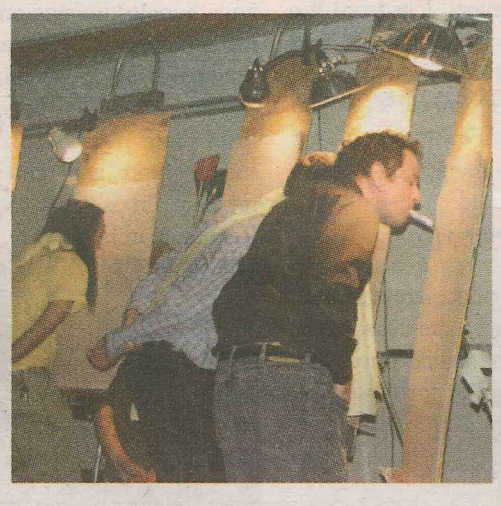
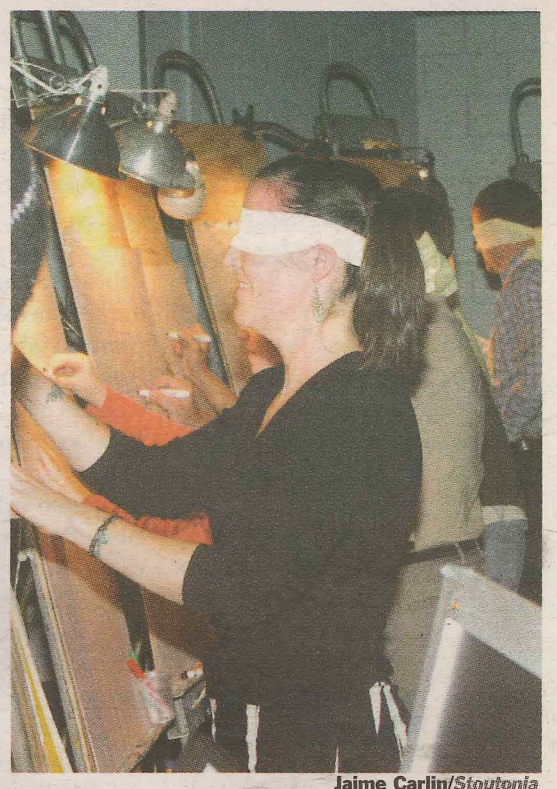
Sketch Off gets dirty







Jaime Carlin/*Stoutonia*

(left) Students from the audience judged as well as put on the event. (middle) All the excercises put instuctors in the spotlight to use their artistic talents in unique and crazy ways. (above) Tamara Brantmeier and the other professors are challenged to use other senses to draw.

Professors draw each other for charity

Joe Spragon
Columnist

How would you feel if you got the chance to see your professors act like squalid little tarts? Many of the art and design students had just this chance, last week, on Nov. 10, during the first Sketch Off.

The event was held by the Industrial Design Association. This was, by far, the best dollar I have spent in many, many months. For a nominal price of admission, many of those in attendance had an evening of great fun.

The event began at 7:30 p.m. and lasted two hours. Professor Lars Jerlach spent the night in the role of Master of Ceremonies (MC) as well as head protagonist. He fried and filleted the other instructors throughout the evening but always in good fun.

Participating in the event as contestants were professors Robert Atwell, Chad Reichert, Adam Wells, Tamara Brantmeier, Amy Fichter, Jack Zellner and Scott Christensen. Each was supplied with an easel, pad of newsprint paper and Crayola markers.

The judges were supplied by choosing students from the audience by way of "auctioning off" each professor at the beginning of the event. The student who tossed the most of their hard-earned dollars at a specific professor was then given the honor of being on the panel and allowed to critique the upcoming works on a scale of one to ten.

Approximately 14 "competitions" were held, beginning with the instructors drawing cars within the time limit of 30 seconds. All events were different and held within various time constraints.

Some of the highlights include the subject of a "Big Toe." Carefully rendered drawings of a difficult, abstract subject in the tune of "Dueling Banjos."

An "audience choice" in which yours truly suggested the participants draw Jerlach. While he did not seem to appreciate this, there was great rejoicing and merrymaking amongst the contestants at this proposal.

Towards the end of the evening a curve ball was thrown towards the instructors. Despite the grumbling contestants, their markers were taken away, and were replaced with small cups of finger paint. Each professor was then told to paint their favorite animal using only their nose.

It was at this point that Reichert and Zellner began their secret plan. After the paintings were completed, and Lars began to chastise the faculty for the simple error of trying their best, Reichert and Zellner struck.

Zellner had been wearing a large, orange raincoat when he suddenly chased Reichert out of the room and out of the audience's view. Moments later Reichert returned and slowly walked behind the unsuspecting MC. Reichert quickly grabbed and held Jerlach's arms behind his back which enabled Zellner to strike. From out in the hallway he appeared with a tummy covered in paint. Zellner proceeded to give Jerlach a very friendly hug, which resulted in a very large paint spot on his shirt.

After all of the points had been tallied, and extra bonus points given, the winners were announced. Brantmeier placed first and was allowed to pick her award of ten pounds of chocolate. Atwell placed second and was awarded a gift certificate to That Mexican Place restaurant. Bringing up the rear, in third, was Wells, voted "most creative" of the evening. His prize was some meat.

The first Sketch Off was a great success. All contestants, judges and audience members had a wonderful time. When this happens again next year, I suggest everyone attend. It was a dollar well spent, and I don't

Tulgeywood Players play perfectly

Jordan Way
Columnist

Most people on campus would look at you funny if you asked them who the Tulgeywood Players were. They are the University of Wisconsin-Stout drama team: the amazing actors with the funny name.

Nov. 11 through Nov. 14, they made their fall debut with the energetic political drama, "An Enemy of the People," by Henrik Ibsen.

Nathan Reed portrayed Dr. Tomas Stockmann, the fiery town physician. Set in the late 1800s, the play begins with Dr. Stockmann discovering the local bathhouses are contaminated with bacteria.

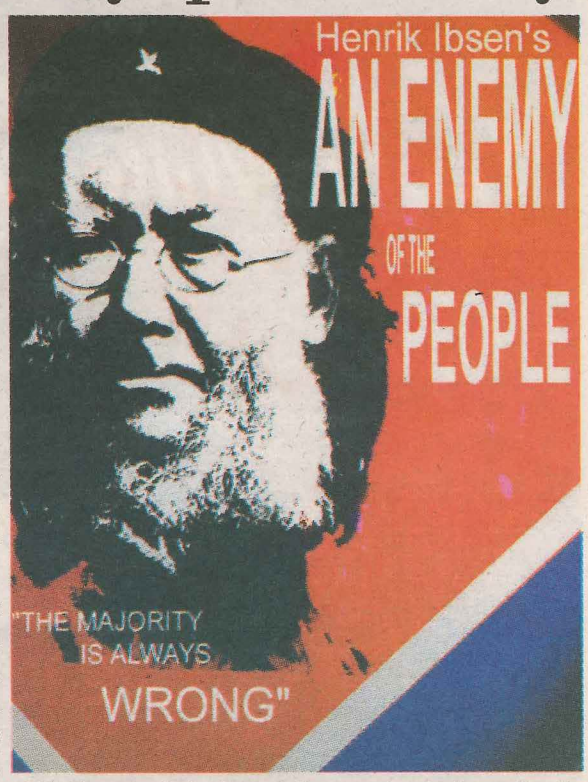
The doctor is determined to bring this problem to the "the people." His plans are spoiled when his brother, Mayor Peter Stockmann, played by Jordan Chabalowski, decides it would be too expensive to redo the bathhouse because it would put a damper on tourism.

Two influential people in the community, Mrs. Aslaksen, played by Jillian Richardson, and Hovstad, played by Travis Ekbom, were in support of bringing Dr. Stockmann's discovery to light.

Mayor Stockmann convinced them to refuse Dr. Stockmann his right to print his discovery in the town newspaper. Dr. Stockmann struggles through the rest of the play trying to get the public to listen to the truth of his findings.

In the end, Dr. Stockmann's foster-father, Morten Kiil, played by Arthur Kneeland, ends up buying all of the stocks to the bathhouse, making it possible for Dr. Stockmann to re-vamp the bathhouses.

The cast was very energetic and all on stage showed a huge amount of real talent. The play shows that the majority is always wrong and is influenced by the slick words of higher authorities. Playwright Henrik Ibsen utilized characters with passionate personalities to bring "An Enemy of the People"



"An Enemy of the People" was executed excellently by the Tulgeywood Players under the direction of UW-Stout's theater director, Dr. James Miller.

Dine for a night in Europe

Katie Triphan
Columnist

Tired of day-old pizza, stale chips and Easy Mac for dinner? How about trying some good old fashioned European cuisine. That's exactly what you'll get at Angelo's Ristorante in Eau Claire, Wis. The restaurant had their grand opening in July of this year.

Having made reservations for Friday evening, I expected the restaurant to be packed, but it was not crowded at all. Upon arrival, I received the best of service. Immediately, we were greeted with smiles from several people behind the bar and a staff member offered to take my coat.

You step out of life's hurry and craziness and dine peacefully, losing yourself as if time no longer exists. Our server was very polite and knowledgeable about menu items. She remained patient with me when I didn't know what to choose right away. I ordered the crab cakes appetizer, which was delicious, and for dinner I had the Manicotto Angelo's, which was also good. For dessert, I tried Angelo's own recipe for tirimisu and was glad I did.

Don't worry if you're not a pasta person, Angelo's also serves beef, lamb and pork entrees as well. Also, their prices are reasonable, easily accommodating those on the dating scene or for those who have more than a little extra cash to spend. Prices also are available online.

Portions are decent, so if you're looking to have leftovers for lunch the next day, you'll definitely take some home.

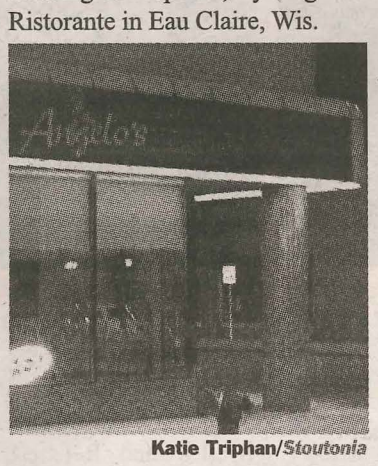
Besides its location, friendly service and good food, Angelo's most distinguishing characteristic is its atmosphere and decor.

Downstairs were tall columns with beautiful scenes of Venice between them. Upstairs were more paintings that gave one the idea of a European setting. Along the wall facing the street, there were several windows in the shape of round portholes with candles placed in the sills.

Above the bar are the words, "a Tavola nessuno Diventa vecchio," an Italian phrase that means you can never grow old at the dinner table. This is a unique saying to display because the atmosphere at Angelo's is one that really does set you apart from everything else in the world.

Angelo's starts serving dinner at 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and closes at 10 p.m. They are closed on Sundays. If you dine at Angelo's, print off directions to find it's downtown location. There are several ways of making reservations, which include calling or filling out an online form 48 hours in advance.

Visit Angelo's Web site at www.angelosdining.com. Through the month of November there is a coupon for 25 percent off any entrée, which is downloadable from their Web site. If you like Italian food and you enjoy a relaxing atmosphere, try Angelo's Ristorante in Eau Claire, Wis.



Katie Triphan/*Stoutonia*

Angelo's Ristorante is beautifully painted like Europe on the inside and glows on the outside due to candles placed in porthole shaped windows.

BDP Strikes Gold

Breakthrough artist to perform

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

So you say there's nothing to do in Menomonie over the weekends besides drink and visit the 24-hour Wal-Mart. Fortunately for you, this weekend you are wrong.

Sufjan Stevens is performing in Menomonie on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 8 p.m. in Huffs. Sponsored by Blue Devil Productions (BDP), Stevens is an indie-folk performer who only recently broke into the mainstream with his third album release in 2003 entitled, "Greetings from Michigan."

"As the music director for Blue Devil Productions, I do as much research as possible to try and bring cutting edge music to campus," said Andrea Avery, a senior majoring in art design.

Avery continues, "Sufjan Stevens is a perfect example of one of the most cutting edge indie folk artists out there. He has such a dynamic variety of approaches to music; it's certainly not to be missed."

His breakthrough CD in 2003 was recorded on his own label record, "Asthmatic Kitty" and received him touring spots with various groups such as Modest Mouse and the Flaming Lips.

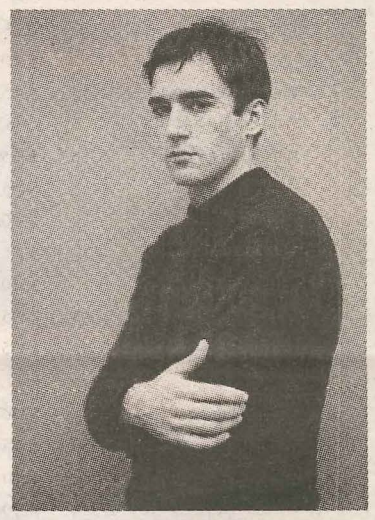
Although Stevens is a native to Michigan, he is known world wide. Having released music and toured in the United States, he has also been known as a major up-and-coming artist to be recognized in other countries as well.

Stevens has also toured extensively in Canada and Europe. In fact, his debut CD was also released all over Europe.

His music can best be described as a combination of his faith and music that he forms into his own unique style of art. With mostly banjo plucks and quieter harmonies, Stevens creates a very relaxed atmosphere that allows the listener to lose themselves in his music and lyrics.

"Recently there has been less and less emphasis on quality songwriting...that's my craft," said Stevens in a 2003 Harp Magazine interview. "I don't know if I'm always successful, but I'm honored that people are listening."

Tickets are for sale now and can be purchased for $5 with a student ID and $7 for the general public. The number to call for tickets and ticket information is 232-1122. If you have any questions about the event, you can contact BDP at 232-2432.



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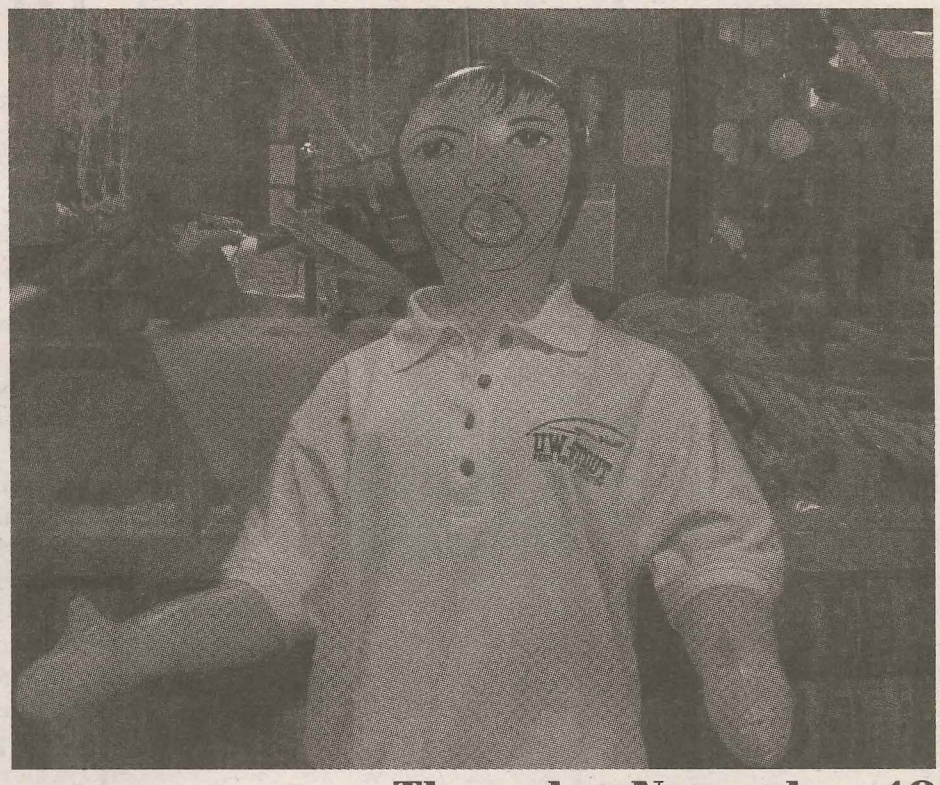

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2	1	115 W Main St.	$400	$200	$485	$243	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	921 Main St. #2	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	921 Main St. #4	$360	$180	$460	$230	Good Location, Parking	4
2	1	620 1/2 9th Ave	$500	$250	$615	$308	Large upper apt close to campus	3
2	1	414 1/2 12th Ave	$430	$215	$510	$255	Upstairs apt xlose to campus	D
2	1	620 1/2 9th Ave	$500	$250	$615	$308	Large upper apt close to campus	3
2	1	414 1/2 12th Ave	$430	$215	$510	$255	Upstairs apt xlose to campus	D
2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$650	$325	n/a	n/a	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. B	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. C	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
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3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$615	$205	$715	$239	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	921 Main St. #3	$600	$200	$720	$240	Parking andconvenient location	4
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$960	$320	n/a	n/a	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$380	$190	$455	$228	Nice Duplex with parking	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$580	$145	$760	$190	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$700	$175	$820	$205	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	1	1115 14th Ave.	$680	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat, garage, lg. Rooms, laundry.	H
4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
4	1	921 Main St #1	$740	$185	$86	$215	parking and convenient location	4
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4	1	915 Main St	$780	$195	$910	$228	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$980	$245	$1200	$300	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1420	$355	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
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5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
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6	2	415 - 13th Ave.W.	$1050	$175	$1250	$209	Modern house/very large rooms/good location	H
6	2+	1415 1/2 8th Street	$1560	$260	$1750	$292	Fabulous new construction, Wash/Dry	D
6	2	115 17th Av W	$1260	$210	$1430	$239	House,Location,wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
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6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1620	$270	$1840	$307	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
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7	2	1321 2nd St. W.	$1575	$225	$1775	$254	Large / 2 living rooms / location	H
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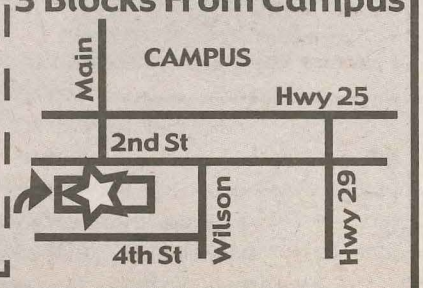

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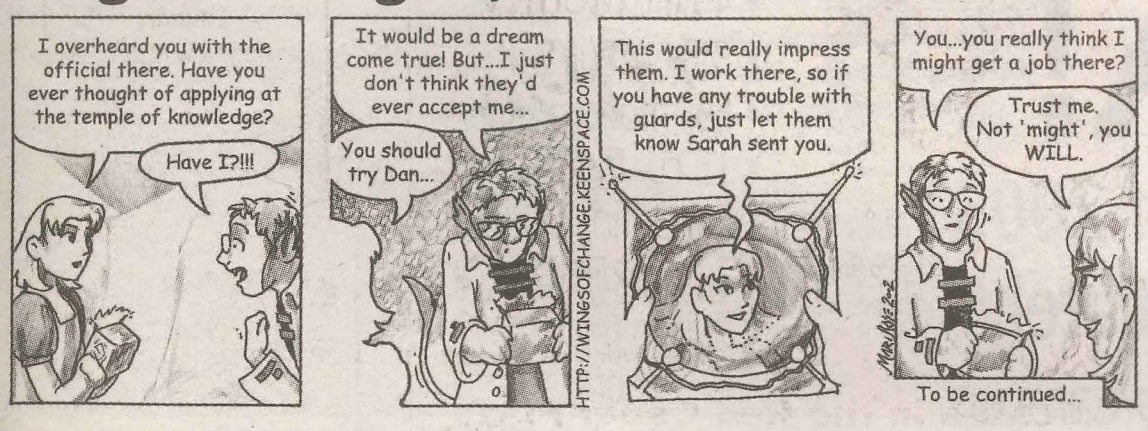

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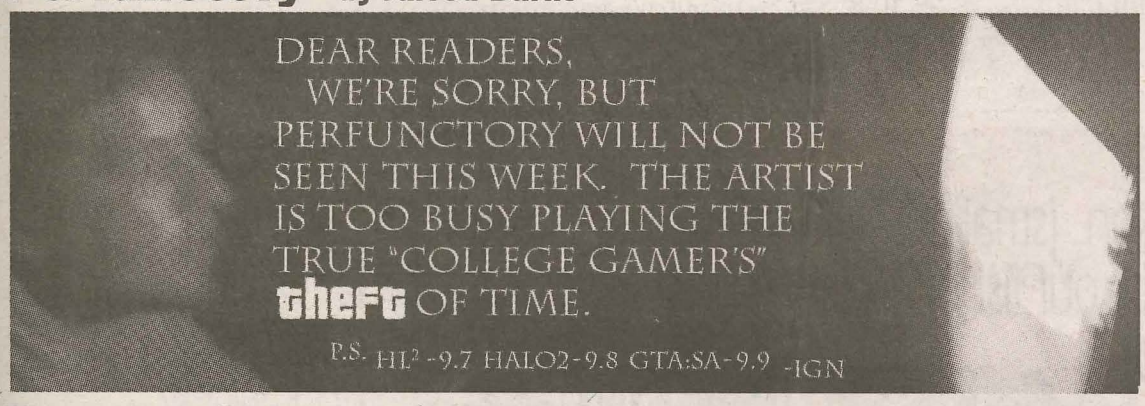

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Volleyball season comes to a close

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The NCAA Division III Midwest Regional Volleyball Tournament was played this past weekend in La Crosse, Wisconsin. The Blue Devils, who worked their way into the regional playoff tournament this year by winning the WIAC tournamet, were looking for a ticket to the regional finals.

The first game was played on Nov. 13 against Concordia-Moorhead. The Blue Devils swept the series 3-0 over the Cobbers. Senior Brooke Viegut had a big game for the Blue Devils, with 20 digs and four assisted blocks. Lindsey Mensink recorded 12 kills and Tanille Hartwig also chipped in with seven blocks.

This was head coach Jill Jolliff's third time coaching into the postseason. It was the first time the Blue Devil team has been in the playoffs since 1998.

Three women on UW-Stout's volleyball team stood out in getting the team into the playoffs this year. The three were also named to the All-WIAC Team; setter Erin Heger, midhitter Hartwig and Viegut.

The Blue Devils' defeat of the Cobbers put the team in the championship match against the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. The Eagles defeated the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater 3-2.

With UW-La Crosse having the home court advantage against the Blue Devils, it was going to be a huge win for either team. With everything on the line, both teams battled to the end. UW-Stout had a 2-1 match lead over the Eagles until UW-La Crosse came back to win game four and send the match into a fifth and deciding game.

In the opening of the fifth game the Eagles took a 5-1 lead early on. Soon that four point lead turned into a six point advantage for the Eagles.

The Blue Devils played a solid defensive game up at the net, but it wasn't enough to stop the Eagles.

Mensink finished her season with a season high of 21 kills and senior Viegit added 17 kills to the board.

UW-Stout will be losing five talented players to graduation; Heger, Mensink, Viegut, Hartwig and Scooter Aspen will all graduate.

This means next year new players will have to show they have what it takes to be winners.

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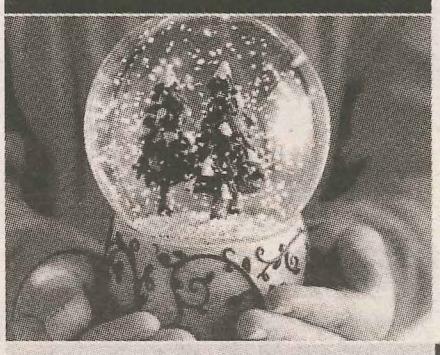

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Alfresco brings nature to students

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

If weekends around campus are becoming mundane the Alfresco Outing Club has something different to offer. Alfresco has been a club at the University of Wisconsin-Stout since 1964 and is the oldest non-competitive club on campus.

The club plans weekend and day trips every weekend throughout the school year, except over breaks.

Anyone can go on a trip with the Alfresco Outing Club. The club does not require a membership to go on the trips, but does offer a $10 per semester or $15 per year membership, which comes with voting privileges and discounts on trips.

So far this year, 25 different students have gone on trips with anywhere between eight to fifteen people going each weekend. About half of the trips are overnight, with the others being day trips.

The club goes on a wide range of trips including: biking, canoeing, rock climbing, hiking, horseback riding and shopping for gear in the cities.

"Alfresco is unique because it's a recreational club, but it adapts to all skill levels and interests. It is very inclusive because we aren't limited to one sport or season," said Laura Kreger, a senior in technical communication and club secretary. "I love the laid-back atmosphere of our trips. We have a great time with each other in the great outdoors, and are excited to share that with others."

One of the highlights of the year include a canoe trip down the Mississippi River earlier this fall. The club went through the locks and dams of the Minneapolis and St. Paul area and stayed overnight on an island along the river. Many of the students enjoyed the change of pace of canoeing in an urban setting.

Every semester the club also volunteers at Camp Nawakwa, a Girl Scout Camp. In the fall they help winterize the camp and in the spring they help get it ready for the summer.

In exchange for the work, the camp lets the club stay overnight and provides meals. Not only is this trip a great way to get away for a weekend, it also provides students with community service hours.

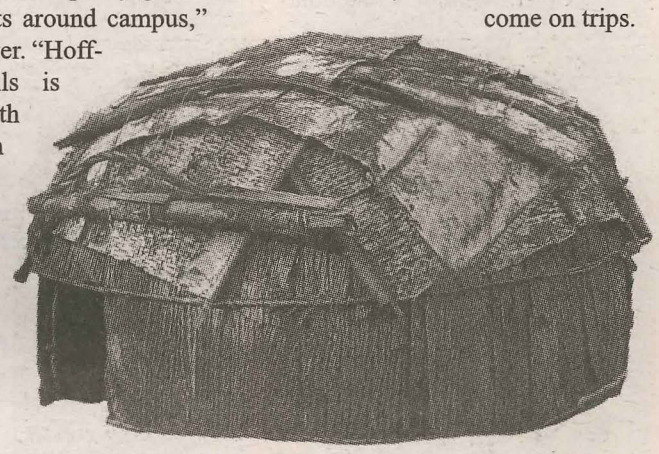
Keeping with the club's mission of providing the UW-Stout community with trips that are both recreational and educational, on November 5-7 the club went on a new trip to the core skills intensive teaching drum outdoors school in Three Lakes, WI.

At the school, the club learned skills such as friction fire making, aidless navigation, primitive shelter building and cooking and native awareness techniques. The club also learned about edible and medicinal plants.

"We spent the weekend with Neanderthals…and it was great!" said Gavin Chenery, a senior in manufacturing engineering.

This weekend the club will be hosting a day-trip to Hoffman Hills. They will car pool out Sunday morning, hike and grill out for lunch together. The trip will provide students with a chance to get some fresh air and get away from campus for a few hours. The trip is free.

"We like to show people that there are some pretty great outdoor spots around campus," said Kreger. "Hoffman Hills is one, with hiking in the summer and cross-country skiing in the winter."



The club meets every Wednesday in the Northwoods room of the MSC. They talk about upcoming trips, hear about the last weekend's trip and have an educational segment.

The educational part ranges from members giving presentations on trips they've taken outside of the club to skill demonstrations to comparisons of different types and brands of gear. Everyone is welcome at the meetings and anyone from the UW-Stout community is welcome on trips.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Two of Jake Erickson's three assists came in the final five minutes of the game against St. Thomas as the Blue Devils pushed to a 5-4 victory on Nov. 15.

The Blue Devils scored all five goals against the Tommies in the final 25 minutes of play. Two of the goals were scored with under four minutes left.

The three assists put his season total at six, and the win pushed the Blue Devils record to 4-1-1 on the season.

His efforts not only earned him the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference player of the week, but Erickson also recieved the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association player of the week award.

The Blue Devils will host Hamline University on Nov. 19

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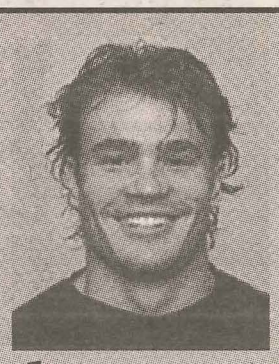
Earned WIAC and NCHA player of the week honors for his three assists in a 5-4 victory over St. Thomas.



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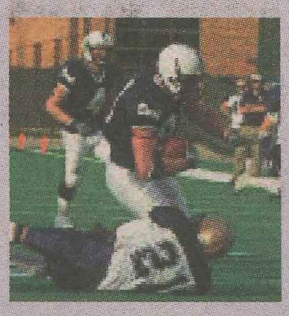
Blue Devil Scoreboard

Football
(5-4)

The football team lost 23-13 against Platteville on Nov. 13



Cross Country
Regionals:
Men: 19th Women: 12th

Hockey
(4-1-1)

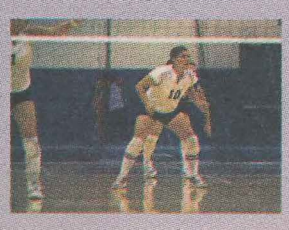
The hockey team defeated St. Thomas 5-4
Next Match:
Nov. 19 hosting Hamline University

Soccer
(15-3-2)

The soccer team defeated Illinois Wesleyan 3-0 to win the Midwest Association of Athletic Conferences Midwest Soccer championships.

Volleyball
(31-5)

The volleyball team was defeated by La Crosse 3-2 in the NCAA DIII Regional Championships.



Basketball Season Preview

Seniors Erin Churchill and Luke Loney will be leaders for their teams this season. The lady Blue Devils will open the season on Friday at the Wisconsin Lutheran Tourney in Milwaukee. The men's season also opens Friday when the team travels to Pueblo Colorado.

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

As the temperature outside continues to fall, the Blue Devil basketball season is starting to warm up. Both teams have been ranked in the pre-season to finish in the middle of the conference, but the teams will be looking to prove that they should not be taken lightly.

On the men's side, head coach Ed Andrist will see how well the gaps can be filled from last season losses. The Blue Devils lost eight players in the off-season, including leading scorer Nate Templer and Jeff Vandenberghe.

Luke Loney is the only senior on the team this year. His performance on the court and as a team leader will be tested this season.

Juniors Greg Chaisson and Terry Farmer will bring veteran experience to the team. Both are returning starters that bring depth to the guard and forward positions.

John and Jacob Nonemacher will also be two players to watch. Both players stand at seven feet tall and could be key players under the basket this season. Jacob will be starting his second season, while John will make his varsity debut after being red-shirted due to injury.

Openings on the team will allow first year players and other young stars to see action throughout the entire season, giving the University of Wisconsin-Stout many options when facing other teams in the conference.

The Blue Devils closed out last season with a record of 14-11 overall. In the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference the team was 8-8, earning them fourth over all. This season the Blue Devils are ranked fifth behind the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

The season for the Blue Devils will open on Friday Nov. 19 when the men travel to Pueblo Colorado.

Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference action begins on Nov. 30 when the team hosts the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

The lady Blue Devils are also a young team, but may have the depth to upend it's conference rivals. The team has four seniors including starters Lindsey Erichsen and Erin Churchill. Churchill averaged just over 10 points per game, while Erichsen finished fifth on the team in scoring with 9.2 points per game and third in rebounds.

"We have athletic ability and we have good size up front with four players at six feet or better," said women's head coach Mark Thomas. "We have solid depth in all five positions."

Junior Molly Hendricks is another key player for the Blue Devils. Hendricks is coming off a solid season, scoring a career high 23 points in a game last year against the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

With the loss of top scorer Sarah Kahl and Laura Verdegan, the lady Blue Devils will have to find a player to step up this season. Both former players were leaders on and off the court for the Blue Devils last season.

Pre-season rankings put the lady Blue Devils in fourth in the WIAC. It will take a strong effort from the entire team to climb the ladder according to Thomas.

"We always set our goals high and hope to compete at the top of the WIAC again," said Thomas. "We will need everything to go well for us to do that. We want to be at the top or near the top in scoring and improve on our defensive stats and also look to be the top rebounding team."

Last season the lady Blue Devils closed out the season with a 18-9 record. They posted a conference record of 10-6, placing the team fourth overall.

The lady Blue Devils season will open on Nov. 19 when the team travels to Milwaukee to participate in the Wisconsin Lutheran Tournament.

For both teams alot will be on the line this season and if the younger players can step up to the challenge, UW-Stout basketball fans may be in for an extended season.

At this point all that can be asked is who will become that key player that each team needs?

Men's Team

Head Coach: Ed Andrist (5th year)
Assistant Coach: Eric Gardow (4th year)

Record Last Season: 14-11, 8-8 in the WIAC 4th
Home Record: 8-3 Away Record: 5-8

Key Returning players:
Seniors on team: 1
Greg Chaisson, G, 6-1, 180, 7.6 ppg, 2.1 apg
Terry Farmer, F, 6-3, 205, 6.2 ppg, 3.2 rpg
Luke Loney, G, 6-2, 180, 3.7 ppg
Jacob Nonemacher, F, 7-0, So, 5.6 ppg, 4.3 rpg, team high 46 blocked shots

Current Season Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Nov. 19	at Colorado State-Pueblo	Pueblo, Colo.	7 p.m.
Nov. 20	vs. Colorado College	Pueblo, Colo.	3 p.m.
Nov. 27	at Concordia-St. Paul	St. Paul, Minn.	3 p.m.
Nov. 30	UW-River Falls*	Menomonie, Wis.	7 p.m.
Dec. 4	at UW-Whitewater*	Whitewater, Wis.	1 p.m.
Dec. 7	UW-La Crosse*	Menomonie, Wis.	7 p.m.

Women's Team

Head Coach: Mark Thomas (18th year)
Assistant Coach: Mark Noll (5th year)

Record Last Season: 18-9, 10-6 in the WIAC 4th
Home Record: 10-1 Away Record: 6-7

Key Returning players:
Seniors on team: 4
Lindsey Erichsen, F, 9.2 ppg-led team, 5.5 rbg, two-time Honorable mention All-Conference.
Erin Churchill, G, 10.2 ppg, 3.9 apg, Honorable Mention All-Conference
Molly Hendricks, F, 5-9, 8.6 ppg, 3.8 rpg

Current Season Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Nov. 19	vs. Concordia, Minn	Milwaukee, Wis.	6 p.m.
Nov. 20	vs. Wis. Lutheran/Beloit	Milwaukee, Wis.	TBA
Nov. 23	Northwestern College	Menomonie, Wis.	7 p.m.
Nov. 27	at St. Scholastica	Duluth, Minn.	7 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Northland College	Ashland, Wis.	1 p.m.
Dec. 1	UW-River Falls*	Menomonie, Wis.	7 p.m.

Students with pets discuss the pros and cons

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Anticipated game release causes student craze

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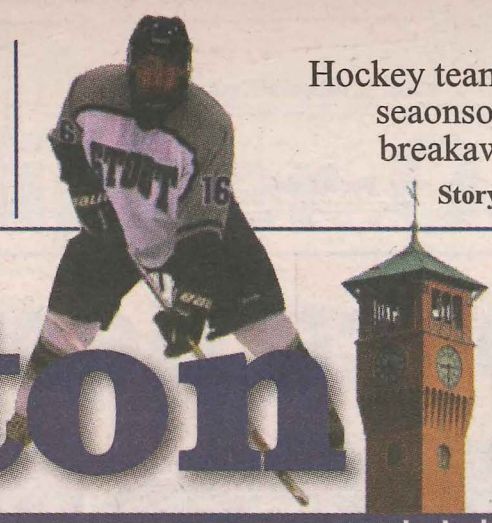

Hockey team begins seaonson with a breakaway start

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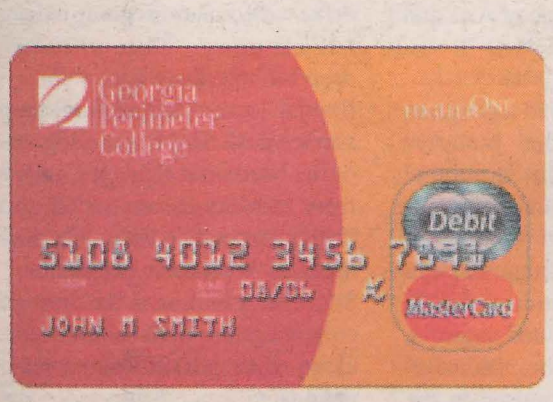
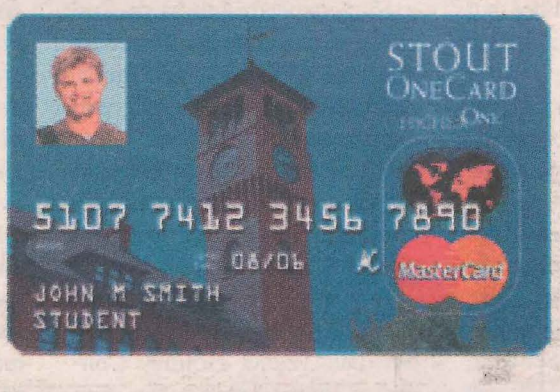
HigherOne expanding nationwide

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Higher One, the company that provides the Stout One ID cards to the University of Wisconsin–Stout is expanding to yet another school, making for a total of 17 schools across the country.



Portland State University (PSU), a campus of 20,000 students in Portland, Ore. is the most recent addition to Higher One's collection of campuses. The students of PSU are not pleased with the new addition, much as UW-Stout students when Higher One was added to our campus.



Higher One is a "virtual bank," handling over $93 million in student aid money from the institutions that it serves. It helps universities by handling all of their student aid disbursement, reducing costs for the university.

Students do not have the option of not participating, if they receive money from the university, it is handled through Higher One.

PSU student government and The Daily Vanguard, a student newspaper, have both spoken against the Higher One card. The Associated Students of Portland State University (ASPSU) organization is encouraging students to boycott Higher One, and has 2,000 students pledging support to the action.

ASPSU lists many concerns about the card systems, including lack of accommodation for students with disabilities, no accommodation for any language other than English and the transmission of student information to a private company without student consent.

Students also staged a sit-in to the president of PSU's office, with 200 students demanding that the contract with Higher One be broken.

Edward Kill, a student at PSU is suing the school over the One card. Kill is a Unitarian reverend and objects to having his picture taken. Kill agreed to having his picture taken for the older PSU ID cards, provided the picture would never leave the campus.

With the addition of Higher One, PSU sent the picture to the Connecticut company to be added to the One card, violating the agreement between Kill and PSU.

"It is strictly a religious issue," Kill said. He feels that since PSU will profit from the addition of Higher One, they

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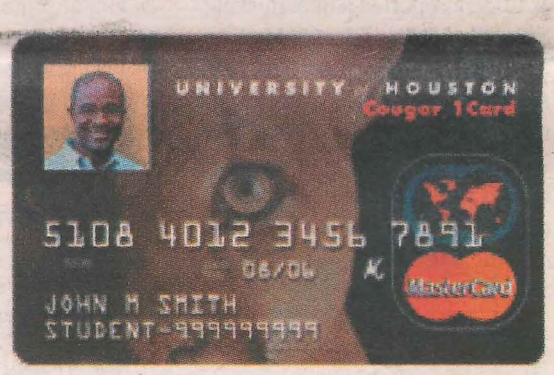

Ladies Wearing Red Hats Have Lunch

Photo Courtesy of **Gina Pipito**

"When I am an old lady I shall wear purple/With a red hat, which doesn't go and doesn't suit me." ~ from 1961 poem "Warning" by Jenny Joseph

The Quality Foods Production (QFP) class at UW-Stout prepares an excellent menu for anyone looking for an inexpensive lunch. It not only attracts students and staff, but also local residents. Menomonie's own society of Ladies in Red Hats gathered in Corner III to enjoy a heart healthy meal.

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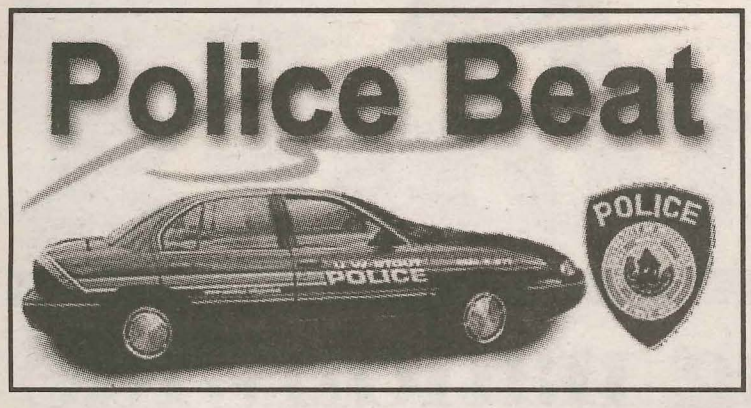


By Greta Hittner
News Writer

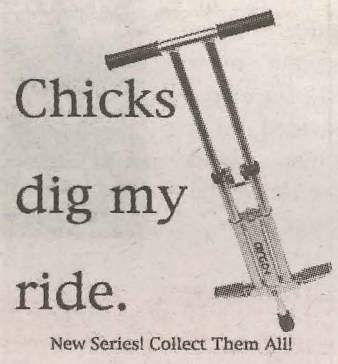
Citations for the weeks of Nov. 16 through Nov. 30; First offense underage drinking: 18. Second offense underage drinking: 2

Lock the door when you go pee
On Nov. 17, a student in Jeter Hall reported $140 in cash missing from her purse. A bottle of perfume was also missing from her dresser top, valued at $70. Nothing else was missing from her purse or room. The student said that there were brief times when both she and her roommate were out of the room, leaving it unlocked. The student and her roommate were reminded to keep the door locked whenever they are out of the room, no matter how short of a period it is.

Curt wants his bike back
A student reported a bike missing from the racks of Jarvis Hall on Nov. 18. The student had borrowed the bike from his roommate, ridden it to Jarvis Hall and left it on the rack outside unlocked for 10 minutes. When he returned to the rack, the bike was missing. The value of the bike is approximately $100.

Check into that leak
On Nov. 21, a student contacted police about a leak in Applied Arts 125. The student showed the officer where the floor was wet and where water was dripping from the ceiling and running down the wall. The ceiling tiles were damaged by the water, and it appeared that a light fixture had shorted out as a result of the leak. The officer went to the second floor and found no obvious source of the leak. The officer contacted a staff member listed as a maintenance contact for that building. The staff member thought the leak may have been caused by the heating lines but was going to check into it further and get it repaired.

Unusual shower mate
A staff member called police on Nov. 24 regarding a bike in the fourth floor shower room in Fleming Hall. An officer responded and removed the bike from the shower room. The bike was a blue and yellow Schwinn mountain bike with a BMW gas tank and motor attached to it. Police attempted to locate the owner of the bike.



NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

"A Child's Christmas in Wales," will be presented at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 11. The performance will take place in the Harvey Hall Theatre and will be performed by professor James Miller, director of theatre at UW-Stout. He has performed it annually since 1990. Admission is free, but attendees are requested to bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the Interfaith Food Pantry.

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The UW-Stout choirs will present their annual Holiday Choral Concert at 4:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 5 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Menomonie. The choirs, under the direction of Patrick Liebergen, will begin with a concert of the Symphonic Singers performing a seasonal Gregorian chant, followed by "We Three Kings" and "Stouthearted Men." The choir will continue with six more selections, and finish with "Hallelujah Chorus." Admission is free, contributions will be accepted after the performance.

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The UW-Stout bands will present their Winter Holiday Concert at 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 5 in the Great Hall of the Memorial Student Center. The 85-member concert band will open with "Pentland Hills" under the direction of Stephanie Graber. They will perform nine more songs to finish with "Chorale Prelude." The 22-member jazz band will open with "No Scuffle Shuffle" under the direction of Dave Whitman, and perform two more songs, and finish with "Christmas Medley." Admission is $5 for adults, $3 for seniors and students.

Kelly McCullough will read his original fiction at the Furlong Gallery at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 2. McCullough is a novel writer who was first published in 1999, appearing in Weird Tales. He has since become a regular writer for them, currently has three novels under editorial consideration and is actively revising a fourth novel. The event is sponsored by UW-Stout's department of English and Philosophy, and the dean's office in the College of Arts and Sciences.

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UW-Stout has added a program concentration called bioinformatics. This new discipline combines mathematics, computer science and biology to create new knowledge that can be used to cure future diseases, create new crops and improve the human condition. Bioinformatics is primarily used in the Human Genome Project which is attempting to map out human DNA. With the addition of the program this fall, UW-Stout students can add this concentration to a degree in applied mathematics and computer science. There are only about a half-dozen degrees of this type in the nation. For more information, contact Diane Christie at amcs@uwstout.edu.

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Diners at New York's Angonquin Hotel now have the opportunity to try what is thought to be the most expensive martini in the world. The $10,000 drink comes complete with a loose diamond in the bottom of the glass. The drink has been on the menu for a week, but so far nobody has ordered one.

The United Church of Christ has produced a television ad citing that they welcome homosexuals to their church. The liberal church states in the ad "Jesus didn't turn people away, neither do we." The ad has recently been turned down by NBC and CBS, but runs on other networks such as TNT, FOX, TBS and BET.

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TECA will be sponsoring a food drive with donations going to InterFaith group. There will be a drop off box along with a donation jar located across from the service desk on the second floor of the Memorial Student Center from Monday December 6th to Friday December 10th. On the night of Wednesday December 8th, TECA will be in the dorms collecting non-perishable foods along with pocket-change donations.

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The Involvement & Leadership Center is now taking sign ups for its annual Holiday Giving Tree Service Project. This activity is open for all faculty, students, organizations, and residence halls. The Holiday Giving Tree provides needy children around the Dunn county area with gifts for the holiday season. For more information regarding this event or to sign up for a child please stop at the Involvement & Leadership Center on the first floor of the Memorial Student Center (M-T 9-7:30, W-F 9-4:30), or Call us at 715-232-1772. Help make this holiday special for everyone.

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Ruining America with news

Tim Krueger
News Editor

Read any opinions piece in any paper in the United States, and you will know that there are problems with the world, and there are tons of people that have the answers to fix the problems.

While there are many problems, there is one major disease in our country that will continue only to increase, it is largely going un-noticed, and I have the answer.

The news media of our country is killing us. Never thought you would hear that from a news editor? Well, I am a male that rides a pink bike, too, so take this for what you will.

With the election over, we all could not be more relieved to stop hearing the constant bickering throughout the media outlets. It poisoned our minds, lies and deception coming from both sides of the argument, and innocent lives stuck in the middle trying not to be injected. What is this you say? You still hear the bickering? Yes, so do I, and it makes me want to tar-and-feather everyone at CNN.

The news media of this country is provided to the citizen as free information. However, the money has to come from somewhere, and since media is the watchdog of government, it cannot come from there. The money for our media comes from advertising, and our news outlets are run as for-profit corporations.

What does a for-profit corporation do? It tries to maximize profit! How does a corporation being paid by advertisers increase profit? It increases circulation! And how do you increase the circulation of something as boring as news? You make it interesting!

Unfortunately for the citizens of this country, making it interesting means giving the viewer a reason to view. And most often, this means appealing to emotion - making you scared or mad about the news will make you watch it.

I swore off watching television four years ago because I felt the same as I do today; it poisons the mind with a combination of half-truths and useless banality.

However, while home for Thanksgiving, I watched my parent's TV a bit. It only took a few minutes to realize why I don't partake in that (general lack of) activity. "Bullies on the playground - are they just kids playing around, or are they future criminals? News at 10," said one ad blurb for a local news channel. I wondered if our children really were something to be feared.

I have read a book recently, titled "Culture of Fear" by Barry Glassner. He touts the idea that the news media sensationalizes certain stories in order to gain viewers, making the general public much more fearful of things such as road rage (200 deaths per year), yet ignores the less glamorous DUI deaths (17,000 deaths per year).

Where does this translate into my little corner of the world? No, I do not naively plan to change the American media with *The Stoutonia*, but it is the reason I run the stories the way I do. Many people have sent me story ideas, which I have decided not to pursue or run. I do my best not to fuel the fire that is burning you all alive. So I am sorry to those of you have wanted something covered, but I like to think that I make conscious decisions for the better good.

And everyone should blow up their TV.

Higher One

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are illegally profiting from his image. He is suing for $1,000.

Most institutions that have added Higher One have had resistance from students. Student governments are usually given the task of educating the students on the negative side of the card, as Higher One has an interest to sell the idea to universities, and markets their service only as a positive.

THE TRUTH ABOUT HIGHER ONE

ASPSU lists a variety of negatives to the One account and encourages students not to sign up for the One account.

A Web site, www.TheTruthAboutHigherOne.com was started to have "open, honest communication" about the card, however, this web site is owned and run by Higher One, so does not contain anything negative about the cards.

While the commotion of two years past at UW-Stout over the StoutOne card has all but disappeared, students have mostly accepted the StoutOne card. Some students still express concern over not having a choice about using it, and the higher than normal fees associated with the One account, but many are actually praising it's convenience.

In the 2003-2004 Student Life Services Annual Report, UW-Stout is reported as receiving $8,265 in revenue sharing from Higher One.

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Seasonal depression bums people

Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Do you ever feel like a snowman that has melted into the ground despite the fact that it's freezing outside? That might not be the perfect comparison, but seasonal affective disorder (SAD), otherwise known as seasonal depression, is a disease that can make anyone feel this way.

To put it into better perspective, SAD can make you feel like all too soon summer turns to winter, winter back to summer and somewhere between the two comes the fall and spring.

Your mind goes from light to dark, from all things knowing to all things unknown, from happy days that are too short, to never ending days that seem to carry no joy.

Not everybody feels this way, but for those with SAD, this is an occurrence that is *all too familiar.*

SAD is caused from a lack of sunlight that, along with shorter winter days, causes a craving for carbohydrates, weight gain, irritable moods and sleep disturbance.

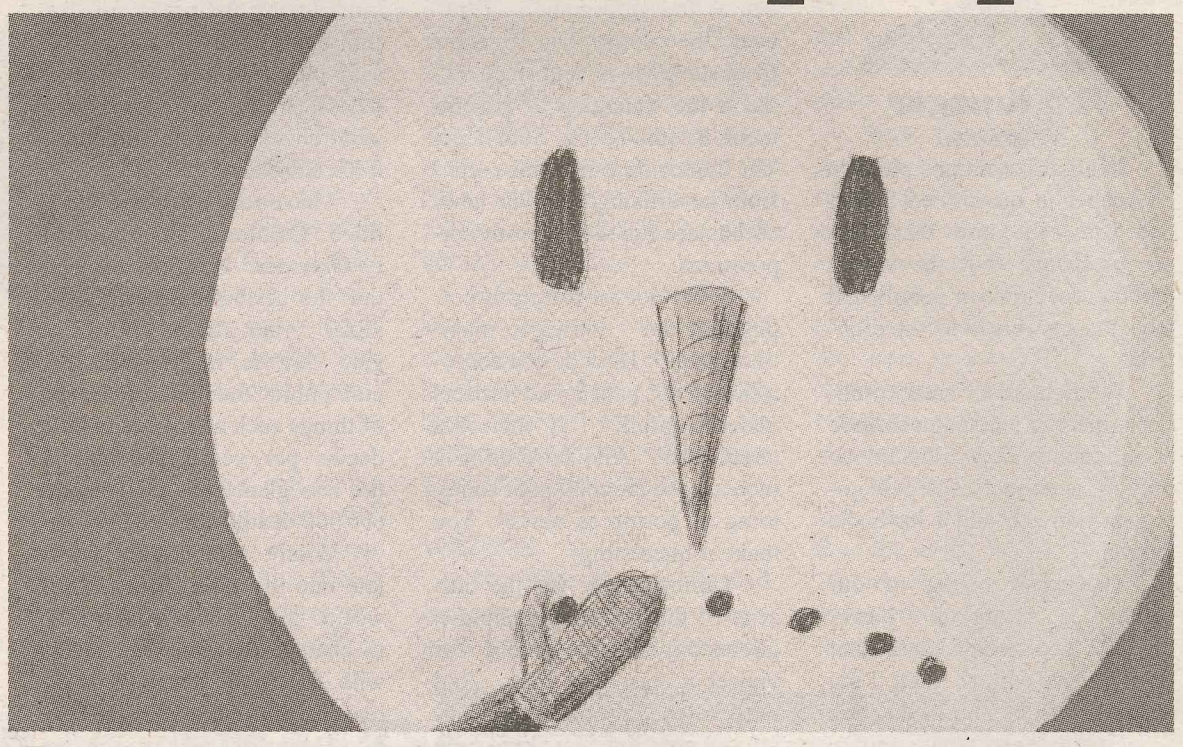
Sorry to say ladies but according to a national survey done by the University of Minnesota in 2003, 60-90 percent of those suffering with SAD are women and those in higher altitudes have even more of a chance of suffering from this disease.

Another unfortunate statistic for those of us in college, is that most cases of SAD occur in younger adults, typically starting in one's early twenties.

The good news is that over 80 percent of those affected with the disorder can be treated for it. There's a theory that light lamps can help to create the needed chemicals in your body to rid yourself of the disease.

Of course, an ultra bright electric powered lava lamp will take care of your willingness to sleep all the time, but it may not have you running around singing Christmas carols overnight.

The best way to determine the best treatment for you is to talk to a doctor or counselor who can properly diagnose you and recommend the best treatment for you. In some cases, tanning has been thought to help because of the bright rays. In other situations, the best cure was thought to be depression medication.



Sure, everyone's felt down at some point or another, but that doesn't mean that everyone has suffered from SAD. There will always be online tests to see if you have the disease, but we wouldn't rely on those to measure your likeliness of having this disease. After all, according to an MTV newsflash on their Web site, Jessica Simpson's IQ was 131 after taking an online IQ test, which would make her smarter than Einstein. Just think about that one for a moment.

SAD really is no laughing matter, though. Although it doesn't last all year long, if gone untreated, SAD can turn into something much worse, like chronic depression. If you feel like you may be suffering from the disease, don't worry, you aren't alone.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout offers free counseling for anyone who wishes to be seen, and most medications offered are a lot cheaper on campus than at a regular hospital. If you feel as though you've been affected by this disease, don't hesitate to get someone's advice for help because then instead of being sad, you'll be smiling.

And while you're working on getting the help you need, just think of Jessica Simpson being smarter than Einstein, that should bring a smile to your face any time of the year.

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It's all worth it in the end

Remembering the past and looking to the future

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

No existential musings this week; not a word from me about the state of affairs in the world. Instead I'm going to talk about my Senior Art Exhibition.

Along with two other art education students, Jennifer Clemins and Andy Jasicki, my show opened Monday at 5:30 p.m. It is titled "How to Fill the Empty Spaces" and runs until Friday evening.

This is the first public exhibition of my work since I started school here all those years ago, and I must admit, I am very proud of the work. When I first came to Universtiy of Wisconsin-Stout my training within the field of art was very limited.

For instance, I only knew who Leonardo was because of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. I had never laid eyes on any works by Picasso, nor did I have any clue who Rembrandt was.

My training was limited to what I did in the diminutive art program at Fennimore High.

"I despised painting and pushed aside ceramics like month-old lasagna. I had trained myself throughout this period and developed a sizable ego by the time I graduated."

I drew comic-book characters. That was all I did. My teacher never challenged me to do anything else. Morning, noon and night I scratched out Spider-Man, sketched

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Life can be too short

Jay Fish
Editor in Chief

It really saddens me to write another story about a fellow University of Wisconsin-Stout student who has passed away.

Jeremy J. Nawracaj died on the night of June 8 from a heart condition while out for an evening jog.

Nawracaj graduated from Minnesota Business Academy in 2002 and was majoring in business management at UW-Stout. When I found out about this tragedy I felt that *The Stoutonia* had to write this piece even though it is tardy. I never got the chance to meet Jeremy, but I know exactly what his girlfriend Amber Traynor is going through. I had the opportunity to meet Amber a few weeks ago; we talked for awhile and I learned a lot about Jeremy and what had happened.

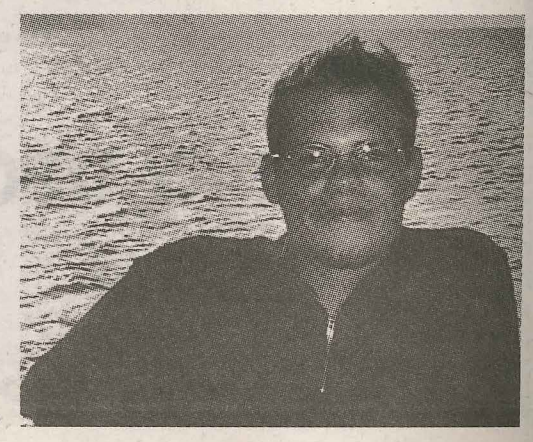
Amber is having a tree planted on campus property in Jeremy's memory. While we talked, I could see the hurt in her eyes, and I could feel the uncertainty she felt for what lied ahead in her life.

Losing a loved one is always hard, but losing such a young person makes it even harder.

I read through Jeremy's guest book that is linked to his obituary in the Pioneer Press. It brought me to tears.

Many friends and family members took the time to write to him. Jeremy will be greatly missed. Writing this is a reality check for me, again; I realize that we don't live forever.

If you wish to add to his guest book on the Pioneer Press go to: http://www.legacy.com/twincities/LegacySubPage2.asp?Page=LifeStory&PersonId=2317110



Heading around the corner at Stout

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

After coming back from Thanksgiving break, it is really easy to put the cruise control on and coast through to the end of the semester. Thankfully the break allows us to get caught up on some much needed sleep, just enough to push on into the nights for the final stretch.

Not only am I thankful to have had a break fall at just the right moment in my final semester, but I am even more thankful to know that I only have just over three weeks left.

I've realized that my time at Universtiy of Wisconsin-Stout has been quite bittersweet, the climate having a great deal to do with the bitter aspect.

I love winter sports more than you'd ever guess, but six months of grey with a climax of sub-zero temperatures is not something that I look forward to this time of year.

I'm looking forward to getting paid for working rather than paying tuition for working extended hours. College housing, though cheap, is disgusting and all of the landlords know they can rip off the college students when it comes to taking their security deposits without ever stepping foot inside to fix all of the problems that keep piling up.

Before my bitterness takes over, there has been an awful lot of sweet, too. The break made me begin a countdown until graduation, only sixteen days left! Only sixteen days left to spend with good friends, sleeping in, class two days a week, all-nighters (really they can be fun), and Menomonie; a town in which I've finally grown to appreciate all it has had to offer.

A man wrote back in response to a past article about my last Homecoming and my being ready to run out of Menomonie full speed ahead, without looking back or taking time to finish soaking it all in.

I want to say thank you. You touched my heart, and I too met my husband-to-be at UW-Stout, which is one of the greatest memories that I know will never fade away. I have seen this town go through several changes, and all too many businesses closed down due to the expansion of Wal-Mart.

You made me realize that I need to enjoy every moment I have left here before it's all gone and it's too late. I know I'll miss it, both the good and the bad. This has been a place where friends and professors have helped form me during a very fragile transition through adulthood.

Then I got sad. Many of the friends I've made in college I may never see again; never is too long. How do I continue to live life at its fullest, without regrets, and do it without all of the friends I have made along the way? Yes, life will always go on, and friendships will always develop and move away, but that doesn't make it any easier to keep saying goodbye.

I'm starting to see what all my alumni friends have been telling me since their graduation. There really isn't another time in your life that will ever relate to the college atmosphere. My world will no longer consist of peers that are all roughly my age.

All of a sudden I'm starting to feel like I'm going to be a freshman all over again, only in the professional world where you don't always get a second chance. Oversleeping and being late to work isn't just frowned upon, it could get you fired.

Enjoy every moment you have here, whether you are graduating in December or four years down the road. These memories are too great to run away from.

You'd best bring your A-game

Brian Legg
Columnist

The presentation of an argument is crucial to almost anything in life. We pick a stance, choose our supporting facts and then assemble a cohesive set of statements that best represent our beliefs. Some of us have the ability to do this better than others.

In last week's *Stoutonia*, a letter to the editor was published criticizing a piece I wrote and the opinion contained within. I applaud the writer of this letter for his effort, as my writing is meant to inspire thought and provoke objection.

However, this individual went above and beyond the call of duty by criticizing statements that I never made and making some pretty rash generalizations in the process. I normally refuse to backtrack, but I find myself compelled to set the record straight and make an example of this situation.

So for those of you following along, here goes.

I never stated or even insinuated that being pro-life is the same as being pro-war, for to do so would be absurd. I simply examined the contradictory nature I perceived in a person holding these stances in conjunction. All I said was, "if you are going to be pro-life, don't be selectively pro-life."

As for moral relativism, I would have to say that I do believe in it; however, I can't speak for all pro-choice individuals as Mr. Eaton attempted to. Morality must be relative in my opinion, because I have mine and you have yours, and they are not the same. I'm not saying mine are right and yours are wrong, they are just different. Also belief in moral relativism does not mean that I am okay with murder, rape and incest.

Are there causes worth fighting for? Sure. Should religion be one of them? I don't know. What would Jesus do?

If it is just for us to fight for our religion, is it not equally just for radical Islamic factions to wage jihad against the West to protect their religion?

These are some of the questions we should be asking ourselves when determining what we believe in, and some Mr. Eaton should have considered before writing his letter.

I respect everyone's right to have and express an opinion, but if you are going to counter mine, you'd best bring you're A-game. Present your argument well. Don't take me out of context; don't put words in my mouth and don't make rash generalizations that you can't back up.

Once again, I am not pro-abortion, just pro-choice. I think given the choice, we as humans can make the right or wrong one, and let God sort out which is which.

Art / *all that work paid off in the end*

Batman and illustrated Superman. The heroes of my childhood - and now - garnished every notebook I contained, be it math or science.

I despised painting and pushed aside ceramics like month-old lasagna. I had trained myself throughout this period and developed a sizable ego by the time I graduated.

When I came to UW-Stout, my ego came with me. Often I found myself standing in defiance to my instructors over trivial items and ridiculous ideas during my first two years. To them I would like to apologize. I didn't realize that I did not know everything, and I should have. To them and all the rest of the professors who I have encountered on campus, thank you for helping me along the way even if we didn't see eye-to-eye.

My work in the show is blatantly ripped from the pages of George Orwell's novel "Animal Farm." But much of the inspiration for the graphic representation of the concepts is influenced mainly from the comic strips.

The social commentary in Orwell's novel is about as pleasant as actually eating the before mentioned lasagna, skittering creatures and all. Anyway you measure his message, it is bleak. I've found that by taking insight from examples such as "The Far Side" or "Doonesbury," the process of drawing in an audience becomes much easier.

The weekend before the show I managed to get about three hours of sleep in three days. During the day on Monday, I raced around campus - up, down, left and right - you can almost make out the blood train of my short stint masquerading as a chicken that had recently misplaced its head.

Now the show is up, and all is well with the world. I can sleep again. Heck, I'm happy that I now have time to put into cooking again instead of relying on Coca-Cola for nourishment.

Andy, Jenni and I all worked our little fingers to the bone, then after a long and drawn out conversation, we decided that this wasn't enough and continued straight on to the marrow.

We would like to invite any and all to come see the art in the gallery on the second floor of the Applied Arts building. If you don't know where this is, just ask a passing art student. The individual will probably be more than happy to tell you.

Turkey Day should be recognized

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Okay, semi-generic Thanksgiving article commencing in 3, 2, 1…

This Thanksgiving I celebrated twice, once with my immediate family, and then again the Saturday after with my extended family.

It was a lot of fun and I'll spare you the details of how much I ate, but needless to say the gravy was all over the place.

But while I was eating, I was also thinking. And as improbable as it may seem, I thought about the things that I'm thankful for. Don't worry, though, I'm not going to get all introspective in this article, that's just not my style, but I will continue with some of the more unusual things that I thought of to be thankful for.

One of the first things I thought of was food related, and it seemed kind of obvious to me at the time because I was eating a piece of pie, but I am really thankful for Cool Whip. I just can't get enough of that stuff, especially because it has zero nutritional value, and I'm pretty sure doesn't contain any actual food. When else, besides maybe Christmas, can you just get a big spoon and eat straight Cool Whip?

That's what I did, but one serving isn't enough to quell my hunger for "The Whip."

So, I took a tiny piece of pie, and loaded up. Mmmm. So, yeah, I'm pretty thankful for that.

But I kept considering and thinking, and then I remembered that I had to write something for *The Stoutonia*, which brings me to the next thing on my list.

I'm very thankful for whoever reads this column each week. Each article usually consists of me just blathering on about something that I think might be funny. I'm happy that anyone cares enough at all to read through them. I'd especially like to thank the artists of *The Stoutonia* comics "Ungraceful" and "Perfunctory," because they have cared enough about what I've had to say to make comics in reaction to articles I've written. Thanks; it's very flattering.

Of course I'm thankful for my family, too, but everyone should be thankful for their family.

I could go into more detail, but every family consists of very different parts, and therefore I have no right to tell someone how or why they should be thankful for their family.

That being said, I do think that that's a good way to close out this article.

But before I go, I'd also like to say that I'm thankful for copy editors, because they're partially responsible for making me sound a little more intelligent on paper.

So, if you find any spelling errors in this article, it's completely their fault. Completely. No, seriously.

Hope you had a Happy Turkey Day.

Resident advisor selection process

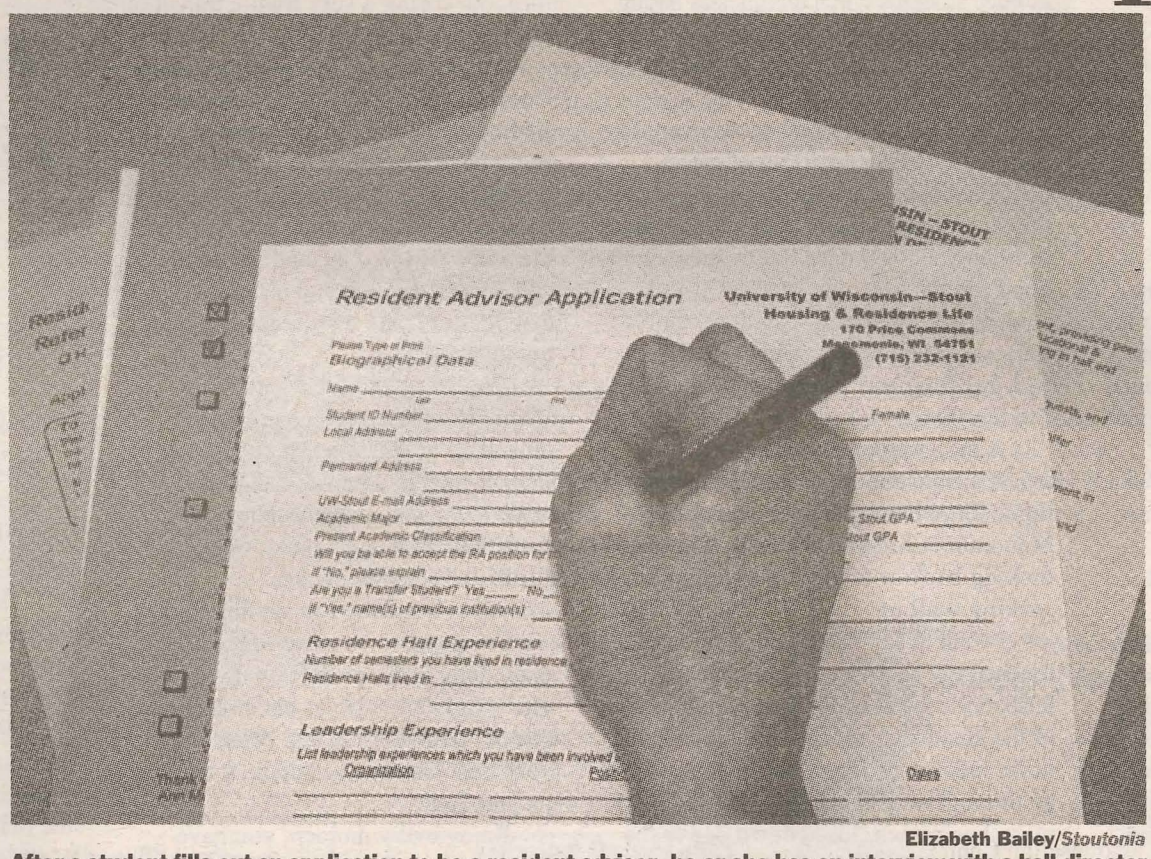
By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

Every year, at the beginning of spring semester, the University of Wisconsin-Stout calls students to apply for residential advisor (RA) positions in each of the nine residence halls on campus. This is an opportunity for students to become experienced leaders among their peers and gain immeasurable interpersonal and crisis management skills.

According to Housing and Residence Life, there are currently 88 RAs on campus and 39 of those were new this academic year. Each year they expect between a 40-60 percent turnover, and almost every year there have been some position vacancies between the fall and spring semesters.

The application process consists of a student filling out an application, an individual interview with a hall director and other student leaders or RAs and group activities to show how the applicant works and relates to others.

"We are investigating possibly changing the hiring process for the 2005-06 school year," said Anne Marie Hoffman, UW-Stout's staff development coordinator. "Some of my housing colleagues at UW-Oshkosh have had great success with speed dating interviews. We don't know for sure, but maybe it's time to freshen up with a new process."



Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

After a student fills out an application to be a resident advisor, he or she has an interview with a hall director and other student leaders, then attends group activities to show how they interact with other students.

Hoffman and others generally analyze each year's application process to identify what worked well and what didn't, in order to see if there are changes that need to be made.

"In general, we've found a selection process that we like that we sometimes modify," said Hoffman.

The process of training RAs for the following fall semester begins in April.

"We pull together all the students who have been hired and train them in job expectations, requirements, position descriptions, the department's mission statement and give them an introduction on what to expect when they first arrive in August," said Hoffman.

The introduction to what future RAs should expect in August includes information about things like getting started early on door decorations and bulletin boards and thinking about the process of planning events and activities.

"We save the more serious procedures, the real nuts and bolts for training right before they start their position so that it's fresh in their minds," said Hoffman.

Some of the more serious procedures RAs are trained for include basic helping skills like how to listen, how to serve as a resource to others and helping RAs understand their role in how to help another student with problems.

Critical procedures include mediating conflicts, confronting unacceptable behavior and basic mental health information to help RAs with recognizing signs of difficultly.

"The RA position is a great opportunity to challenge yourself, to serve others and to strengthen your interpersonal skills," said Hoffman. "Interpersonal skills are so critical and touch on almost all work that we do in our lives."

If an applicant receives the RA position, he or she will receive many benefits through the university.

"If I wanted to live on campus, I would be an RA," said Heidi Sleep, a junior in technical communication. "You get a single room that you're not charged for, a free meal plan and a $500 stipend."

Cute, cuddly, loving, garbage-eating friends

By Katie Bader
Student Life Writer

Who can provide endless entertainment day after day? Who causes person upon person to fall in love with him? Who will cuddle with you when you fall asleep at night but won't hog all the blankets? Who can reduce stress and provide comfort? Who likes to eat garbage?

No, this is not the perfect significant other with a weird fetish for garbage. It is an example of what a pet can be like for college students.

"I love my little porkapie; he is so fun to watch," said Kerrie Kaspar, a first year graduate student in food and nutritional sciences, and a happy owner of a teddy bear hamster for about one year.

"He was too cute to pass up, and I fell in love with him the instant I saw him," said Teale Zetzman, a junior in vocational rehabilitation, and owner of a cocker spaniel named Bosch.

"We love our cats, like we would love our own children," said Amanda Schroeder, a junior in food systems and technology and Heather Pyka, a junior in vocational rehab and owners of two cats named Tank and Roux.

These four students got their pets for a variety of reasons.

"One of the reasons why I decided to get a hamster was to have something to do other than school," said Kaspar.

"A favorite thing about cats is their personality; they are so fun to watch," said Schroeder and Pyka.

Pets are also proven to relieve stress. After a hard day of classes, going home to a puppy or kitten is one way to take someone's mind off of schoolwork.

There are certain important things these students realized they must know before giving their life to a pet.

"It is a responsibility, and it's always good to have friends and roommates who are willing to help watch the dog. Be sure you have a backup pet sitter, too," said Zetzman. "Before you get a dog, make sure your house is dog proof, and be ready for any unexpected costs, such as replacing roommates' stuff."

A pet may not always be the cheapest hobby. Schroeder and Pyka made sure they had enough money to take care of their cats, especially starting out.

"The startup expensive, but the maintenance is [cheaper]," said Schroeder and Pyka. Now, on average they pay about $15 per month.

A dog would be one of the most expensive pets to purchase. On average Zetzman pays $30 per month for food and treats. When Zetzman first bought the dog, she also paid for its $60 shots. In a few weeks she will have Bosch neutered which costs about $100.

The hamster is one of the least expensive pets and on average costs Kaspar only $6 per month.

And there is always the responsibility of cleaning up after pets.

"Cleaning the cage is my least favorite thing about having a hamster," said Kaspar. Both Zetzman's dog and Schroeder and Pyka's cats have a habit of getting into the garbage.

"My least favorite thing about these cats is how they get into the garbage and knock over the garbage can," said Schroeder.

It is important to have a plan of what will happen to the pet after you graduate. Schroeder and Pyka plan to take one cat with each of them, although they already know it will be hard to separate the cats. Zetzman has to make sure she will live in a place that allows pets after she graduates.

Despite these downfalls to having a pet, these four students love their animals. Although they have busy lifestyles, they love to find the time for their furry friends. They know that they made the right choice in deciding to purchase a pet.

Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

Many students choose to own pets despite the cost and cleanup. Sarah Paul's hampster, Lil' Jerry, is one of the cheaper options.

"I definitely would suggest to other students to get a hamster," said Kaspar. "They are not a big commitment and only live about two years."

Compared to a cat or a dog, Kaspar said, "You can leave a hamster alone, and it's no big deal. It is perfect for a college student's inconsistent and busy lifestyles."

Schroeder and Pyka are very happy with their cats and think it is a good idea for other students to get one as well.

"Cats have a lot of personality and character," said Pyka.

Although a dog would be the most expensive pet and the most work, Zetzman is still pleased she decided to get a dog.

"Dogs give the most love back," said Zetzman.

These four students all seem very content and feel that they made the right decision in getting their entertaining, cuddly, loving, stress-relieving, garbage-eating pets.

ULead offers worthwhile workshops

Presentations in leadership, diversity and relationships are held

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

For the first time in two years, ULead has offered a semester of fun and valuable workshops for students.

The Involvement and Leadership department is working to revive participation in ULead sessions that attracted healthy attendance when they were offered a few years ago.

"ULead provides out-of-class fun and learning," said Mary McManus, director of the Involvement and Leadership department. "We are merging education with entertainment."

In addition to leadership workshops, ULead holds presentations on subjects ranging from time and money management to relationships and diversity. Many students may think they've heard this information before.

"I aimed to offer a deeper discussion of diversity, going beyond what students learn in the classroom," said workshop leader Anne Marie Hoffman, a staff development coordinator at Housing and Residence Life who led "Diversity and the Educated Person" in September.

The focus of this presentation was more on the socio-economic issues of diversity rather than merely the definition of diversity.

"There are issues of social justice, fairness and equity that arise in our society," said Hoffman. "We discussed the responsibility we have in our careers to pay attention to these."

Hoffman also discussed how diversity can help people think more objectively when making decisions.

"[Those who are different from us] can offer different ideas and perspectives. Students need to be able to discuss and consider viewpoints other than the same ones they've always had," said Hoffman.

The University Counseling Center staff was asked to lead the "Relationships 101" presentation.

"Relationships can [refer to] roommates and families as well as romantic relationships," said Leslie Williamson, a practicum counselor at the University Counseling Center.

"We also have gay and lesbian couples on this campus who may also have issues," said Katie Sarver, a practicum counselor at the University Counseling Center.

"There are also many students, such as non-drinkers, who have trouble meeting people," said Sarver. "They may think they're the only ones, but it's actually very common."

Williamson and Sarver were also asked to lead the "Going Home – Overcoming Barriers to Change" presentation in November.

Going home for the holidays is an enjoyable prospect for most students, although, some students will face problems when they go home.

"There are students who will find out that they've been put on academic probation while they're at home with their families," said Sarver, "and that can lead to conflict."

"Many students deal with feelings of loneliness and home sickness when they leave home," said Williamson.

Whenever it is possible, Williamson and Sarver like to keep discussions open to whatever issues the students have.

ULead offers a certificate program for students who participate in the workshops. More information can be found at the Involvement and Leadership Center in the Memorial Student Center.

The last ULead workshop for fall 2004, "Leaving a Legacy," is on Tuesday, Dec. 7. All ULead workshops are announced in the daily mass e-mail from SSA.

Sweet tooth cures

Katie Bader
Columnist

If you can chow down half of a package of cookies in one sitting, eat an entire bag of tootsie roll pops in one night or need to eat Count Chocula every morning in order to wake up, you must have a sweet tooth.

Although we all know that sugar and sweets are not good for the body, it is still hard to resist the temptation. Chocolate can turn your bad day into a good day. A few cookies may give the extra boost of energy needed to finish homework.

"I love my mom's chocolate chip cookies," said Megan Savina, a junior in psychology.

It is important to be careful not to overdo how many desserts you eat. Try to limit yourself to just one piece of cake, not the whole cake.

With this in mind, here are a few recipes for easy to make desserts. Living in the residence halls or having a busy schedule may make it difficult to make an authentic homemade dessert. These recipes are for those of us who have a sweet tooth but little time to make a delicious dessert.

It is easy to make this recipe and the only equipment needed is a microwave and big bowl.

"These cookies are very sweet and butterscotchy," said Dan Duffy, a senior in construction.

No-Bake Butterscotch Cookies

18 oz butterscotch chips
½ cup peanut butter
6 cups corn flakes

1. Melt the butterscotch chips and peanut butter in microwave for about 4 minutes, stirring once every minute.

2. Add the corn flakes and coat with the peanut butter and butterscotch mixture.

3. Drop spoonfuls onto wax paper or foil on cookie sheets.

4. Refrigerate for 15 minutes or until hard.

"I love banana cream pie, especially the kind my mom makes," said Stephanie Renning, a sophomore in early childhood education.

Unfortunately, like most other desserts banana cream pie is not very healthy. This recipe is a lighter version of the regular banana cream pie and only takes ten minutes to prepare. Be sure to allow enough time to let this pie chill in the refrigerator.

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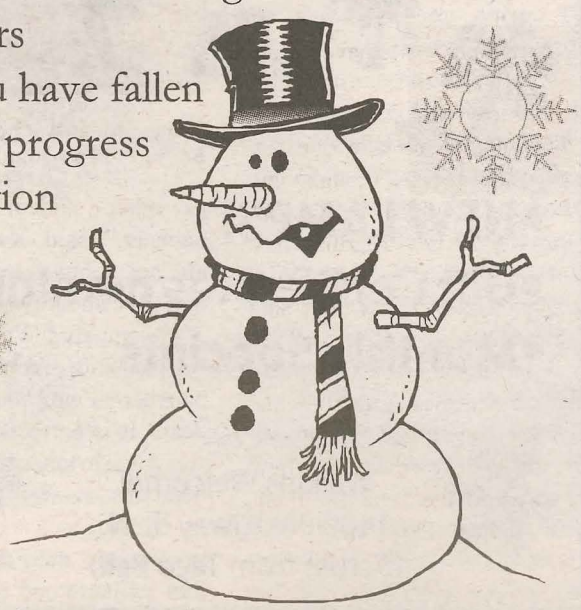

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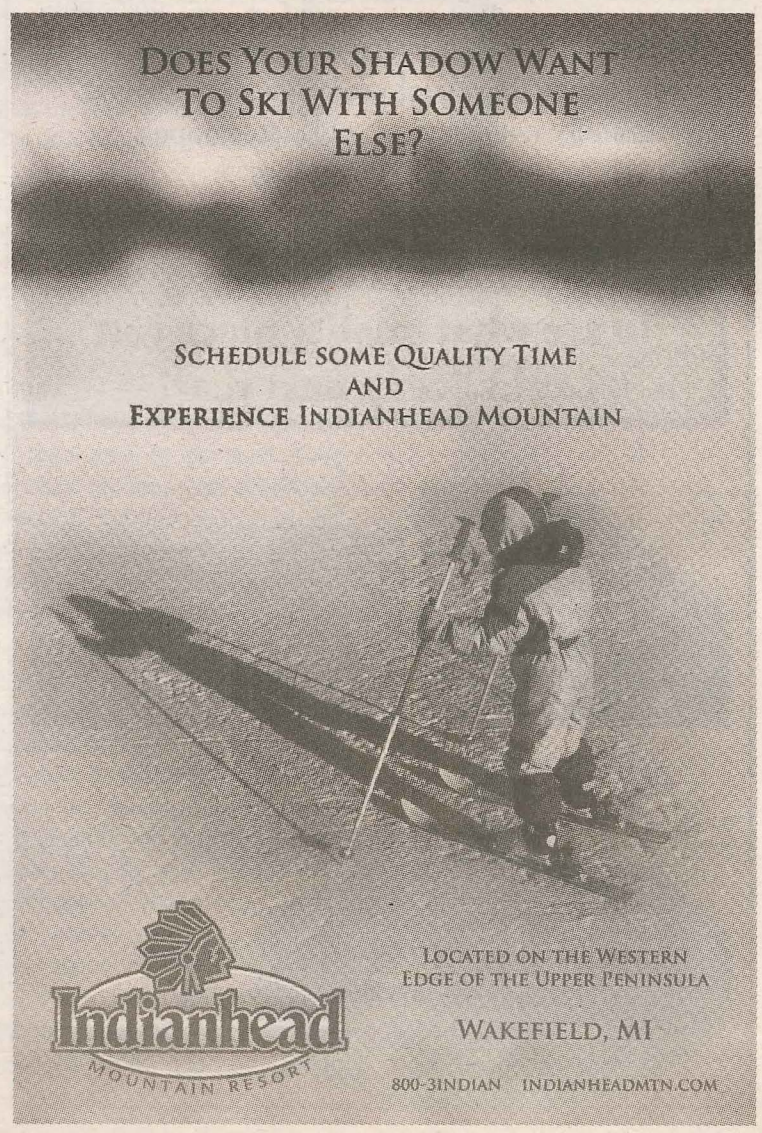

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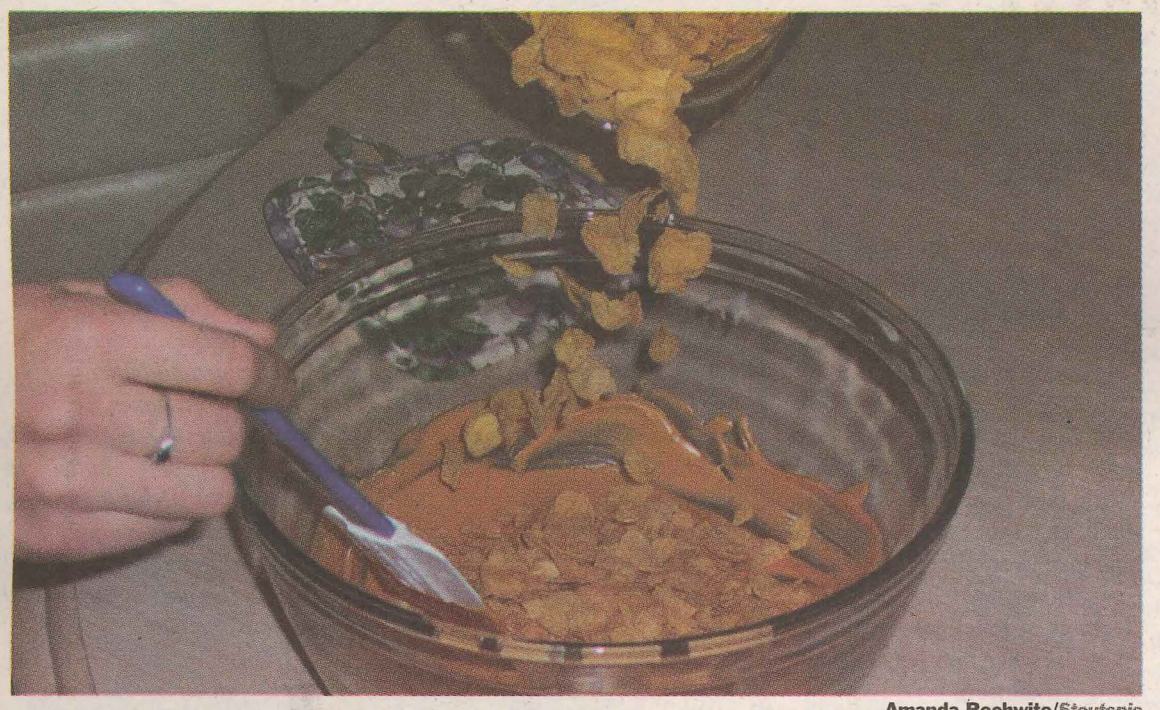

Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia

These butterscotch cookies only require the use of a microwave, and take less than ten minutes to prepare. With only three ingredients these snacks fit the budget of almost any college student.

Light Banana Cream Pie

1 package (1.9 oz) sugar-free vanilla instant pudding
2 ¾ cups skim milk
4 ripe medium bananas
1 9in. ready-made pie crust
1. Prepare the pudding as directed on the box.
2. Slice the bananas and stir them into the pudding.
3. Spoon the banana mixture into the pie crust.
4. Place plastic wrap over the pie, and chill for 1 hour or until set.
5. Slice a piece of pie.

A favorite treat around the holidays is fudge and around the stressful end of the semester, chocolate can be one of the greatest comforts. Here is an easy fudge recipe that only requires three ingredients and can be made in about 10 minutes.

Extra Easy Fudge

2 cups milk chocolate chips
2 ½ cups chocolate frosting
1 cup chopped walnuts (optional)
1. Line an 8 x 8 in square pan with foil. Lightly butter the foil.
2. Melt the chocolate chips over low heat on the stove or in the microwave, stirring constantly.
3. Remove the melted chocolate and stir in frosting and nuts until smooth.
4. Pour into the pan and refrigerate until firm.

As it is becoming colder and colder outside, there is nothing better than coming inside to a warm soothing meal. And nothing is better than finishing off the meal with a warm soothing dessert.

Comforting Peach Cobbler

*2 16oz cans of sliced peaches with juice**
1 package yellow cake mix
1 stick or ½ cup margarine
1 cup chopped nuts
1. Heat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Spread the peaches and juice in the bottom of a 13 x 9 in baking dish.
3. Sprinkle dry cake mix on top of peaches.
4. Dot with margarine (place chunks of margarine on top of the cake mix)
5. Sprinkle with nuts.
6. Bake for 45 minutes at 350 degrees or until the cobbler is golden.
7. Let cool and enjoy!
**peaches may be replaced with cherry pie filling, blueberry pie filling, canned pears or your favorite fruit.*

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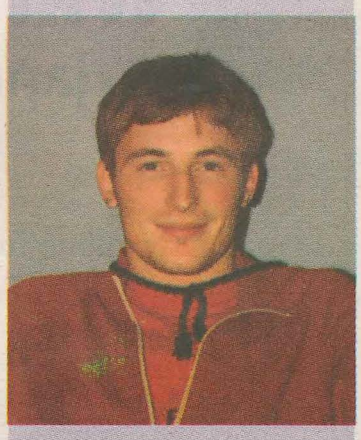

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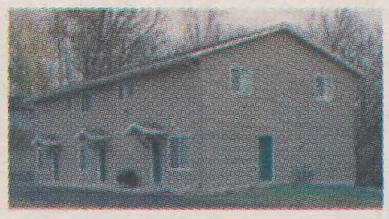

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Friday, Dec. 3
>**A Christmas Story,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 7:30 p.m., $12 students.

Saturday, Dec. 4
>**A Christmas Story,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 7:30 p.m., $12 students.
>**Pottery Sale,** 2107 4th Street East, 10-5 p.m.
>**Santa,** Thunderbird Mall, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 5
>**A Christmas Story,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $12 students.
>**Winter Band Concert,** Great Hall, 2 p.m., $3, students.
>**Santa,** Thunderbird Mall, 12 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 6
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Thursday, Dec. 9
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>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Café, 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar? Send suggestions to

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Michigan native rocks the mike

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

Modest Mouse, The Flaming Lips and now Sufjan Stevens. Modern Indie rock is becoming more and more popular in our society, and University of Wisconsin-Stout is right up there with the best of them, hosting a concert in Huff's featuring Shara, Nicolai Dunger and Sufjan Stevens.

The night started at 8:30 p.m. with Shara Worden who also plays guitar for Stevens' band but also has a solo thing going for her. Her soothing, breathy tones accompanied by guitar or keyboard was sure to relax anyone.

With catchy tunes and a sound similar to John Mayer, she got the crowd working into the music and literally dancing along, however foolishly, as she had the audience do some amusing 80s style dancing in their seats.

Soon after Worden finished her act, Nicolai Dunger took the stage. Traveling all the way from Sweden, Dunger came to campus to serenade attendees with bluegrass-indie kind of music. Every now and then, he broke out some crazy licks on the harmonica and wailed on the guitar.

Taking the audience by storm, he got up, started on the drums and got the entire audience yelling and clapping along with his beats. Dunger provided a perfect way to get the crowd excited and active so that Stevens could take the stage.

Sufjan Stevens and his band took the stage with a large round of applause, all of the performers decked in red, white and blue garb, Stevens himself with a Michigan hat.

Brad Birling/*Stoutonia*

Sufjan Stevens, a Michigan native, trotted around the stage with his band in red, white and blue, leaving the crowd begging for more.

A gigantic fan of his home state, he dedicated more than one song to Michigan, singing about the lakes and the beautiful scenery. Stevens also likes to write songs about places he has been, singing one about Chicago. All of his songs are unique in that it wasn't your usual guitar/bass/drums/vocals band.

On the glockenspiel, was Katrina Kerns, with Craig Monturo on trumpet. Occasionally, there was tambourine or finger snapping to create beat. Of course, there was Worden on guitar, John Thomas Rooinette III on drums, and Denison Witmer on bass, Kerns on keyboard, and Stevens singing and playing guitar or keyboard.

Stevens and his band had a sound that resembled what you would get if you combined The Beatles with The Cranberries, very laid back but catchy. The concert reluctantly came to a close around 11 p.m., with the song "Super Sexy Woman" that Stevens wrote for his first CD while in college.

The band then left the stage, but the audience wasn't about to let the night be over. With a standing ovation and round of applause lasting a few minutes after the concert was over, the band came back out to perform an encore song, much to the delight of the audience.

His first introduction to the mainstream was in 2003, with his CD, "Greetings from Michigan". Since then, he has been on tour with The Flaming Lips and Modest Mouse, reach-

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Funny guy; not family material

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Sexual innuendos, drinking and dating humor and some guy standing on a stage with a guitar trying to make a living. No, I'm not talking about the Saturday night bar scene. I'm talking about Blue Devil Production's (BDP) latest comedy act, J. Chris Newberg who performed on Nov. 17 in Huff's.

Even though Newberg picked on me for blinding him with all of the pictures I took, he still put on a really good show. His act was a mix of comedy and acoustic guitar, full of new pick-up lines and corny songs. This comedy act was one that left the audience in a fit of giggles.

Newberg started off the show by introducing himself as one of the best performers to be seen, hardworking and extremely entertaining. Then he asked us to welcome him, walked off to the side of the stage and then back on with a guitar, thanking everyone for the applause.

Though not safe as a family environment, Newberg was perfect for young adults.

He got out a journal at one point and began reading 'letters from a high school sweetheart,' hitting right on the head a young girl's overreaction to a crush.

One of the best parts of his act was his ability to come up with the right lines at the right time. His come on lines were absolutely hysterical but too vulgar to put into print. Most referred to swallowing something or other and even getting '9 to 10 inches.'

Newberg was lewd, loud and even obnoxious. In a word, he was hysterical. BDP has had an amazing record with their comedy shows and the next one is not to be missed. There are no more comedy shows this semester, but if you want cheap entertainment that will leave you laughing for days, check out their next show early next semester. It's guaranteed to be a riot.

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Don't hate me because I'm right

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

Not too long ago someone asked me why I bother reviewing movies at all, if I'm just going to criticize the ones I don't like.

At the time I wasn't sure exactly how to respond. In essence, I was being criticized for being a critic. If this had resulted from my making a tactless remark in public, then I would like to think I'd have accepted the rebuke and maybe even felt foolish enough to apologize for my thoughtless behavior.

In this case, the situation is a little more complicated than that. I was being criticized for writing something negative about a movie. Whatever that something was never got brought up; the mere fact that I was bad-mouthing a film the person liked was enough.

I've had these kinds of conversations before, and that's usually when I hate my job the most. When I see a movie for *The Stoutonia*, I try to be fair in my judgment of it, and I try to be honest.

I grade movies on the following 5-point scale: 5 is an instant classic, something worth your time and money; 4 is better than average, but maybe something that might not appeal to everyone; 3 is average, which is to say that it has some good parts but is something you'd probably want to see when it comes out on video. A 2 is below average, which means it has maybe one or two redeeming qualities and otherwise belongs in the trash; and 1 is the bottom of the barrel, failing on every possible level.

To my recollection, I have only given two movies a rating of 1. Two others have received a 5. The rest are a motley collection of 3's and 4's, with a 2 thrown in there somewhere. Every time somebody asks me if I hate every movie I see, I want to be able to come up with these figures, but I'm never able to express myself that well or that quickly. I usually just try to change the subject.

Occasionally there is the implication that somehow I must think I'm better than everyone else whenever I criticize a movie, which irritates me. I try to keep my job in perspective.

I don't know everything about movies, and I don't pretend to. I'm a movie "critic" because the proposition of *The Stoutonia* paying for me to see movies and then paying me to write what I think about them seemed an attractive one when the job was up for grabs.

My limited knowledge of American cinema made me feel more comfortable writing about movies than the other subjects typically covered in the entertainment section, like art exhibitions or rock concerts.

On occasion, I do marvel at how someone cannot only watch, but also enjoy something like "Charlie's Angels."

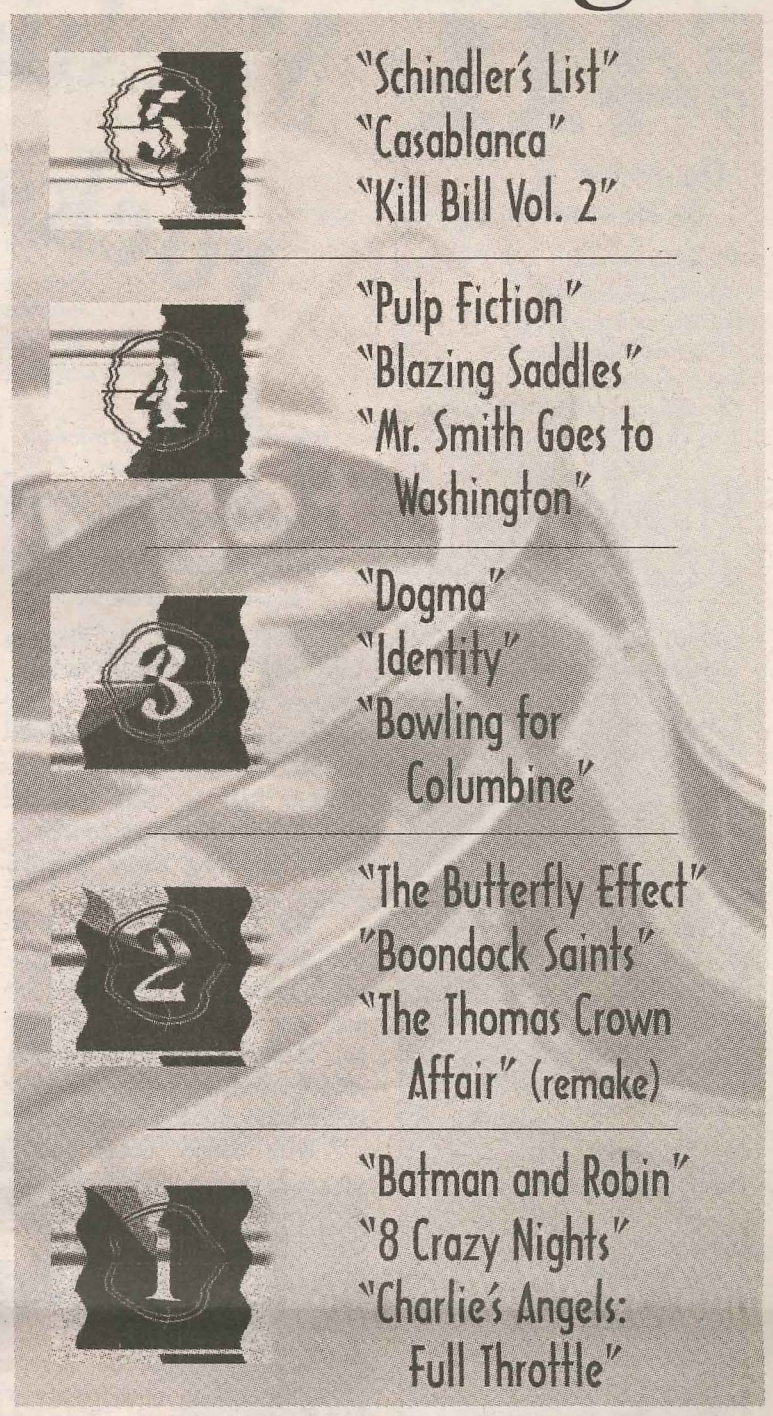
It's seldom mean-spirited. I realize that my opinions really have no more validity than any of yours, which is why they're called opinions. If you like a movie I've hated, then by all means continue liking it.

By the same token, if I recommend something - like "The Incredibles" for instance, please give me the benefit of the doubt and at least give it a shot. I'm here to give the best guidance I can, even if I know my tastes might not mesh with everyone else's.

For someone who loves movies, it's mortifying to be accused of not liking any movie at all. Every time *The Stoutonia* sends me to a movie, I'm hoping it will be an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

While it's sometimes cathartic and even fun to mock a bad movie, I do not relish the experience. It brings me only a little joy to tear down a bad movie, secure in the knowledge that, in all probability, I'll never meet the people who made it.

But God help me if I ever were to meet Jerry Bruckheimer in the flesh…



Halo 2 is seducing gamers all over campus

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

There is no doubt that the newly debuted Halo video game has come up in one of your conversations over the last week. It is probably safe to say that class attendance and grades have been impacted by this fine video game.

"This is the death of grades," said Dan Bunker, a junior majoring in general business administration and a hard-core Halo fan.

The long awaited sequel to the original X-Box classic is here and most college males couldn't be happier. Halo 2 has the potential to take the classic first person shooter and make it legendary.

On the surface the "new and improved" Halo doesn't seem to be much different from its predecessor. Many will claim, however, that there is no comparison. In fact, not only do most avid Halo fans rank the sequel above the original, they rank it above any other game on the market: anywhere.

Several improvements have been made this time around to help this game earn its respect in the gaming world. Weaponry has been altered to enhance the excitement of the challenge. The standard assault rifle now only fires in bursts, but can also be zoomed into two-time, magnification-granting powerful rapid fire capabilities with long range accuracy.

For the simpler weapons, one now has the ability to yield two at once allowing for immediate backup or double the firepower. A much larger collection of covenant weapons are also available, many of which supersede the human armory. In addition to improvements of certain weapons, and a general increase in arsenal, there are a number of vehicles added to the roster.

The player also now has the opportunity to switch sides. While generally rushing through the chaos as Master Chief, certain places in the game put you behind the controls of a covenant forced to fight to hunt down his own.

The game designers have hit their mark. Addictions were forged months before the game ever hit shelves. Once X-Box's across the country glowed with

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Halo 2 / *bad guys, good game*

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the light of a battle of good and evil on the Earth. It's even reported that spaces had to be cleared in rehab centers.

I know two individuals who beat the game within an hour of each other and within a mere day and a half of bringing the beauty home. It's clear this game is more than a phenomenon. Surpassing not only the original, but timeless classics from yesteryear such as 007 Goldeneye for the N64, a game which long held the title of most superior first person shooter on the market.

The only criticism I have come across to date is that there is no health meter, leaving no way to keep track of when you are going to die once your shields have been tapped out. Beyond this, though, I have found only good traits to go with this new game such as improved multiplayer functions.

For starters, one now has a more in depth way to create soldiers of choice to fight the intergalactic fronts against their peers. Soldier creation gives a variety of primary and secondary colors as well as selection of a custom emblem to let enemies know just whom they're dealing with. To go with that, extended multiplayer is no longer limited to a Local Area Network (LAN) connection. The sequel allows the player to go online to battle across the globe without leaving the couch.

"That game has ruined very many different lives," said Ryan Anderson, a soph. majoring in tech. education.

Even those who are unfortunate enough to not even own an X-Box have already been immersed into the wild ride of Halo 2. Any fan of Halo should buy Halo 2. Anyone who occasionally needs to blow off frustration by blowing something up will love this game.

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If you enjoy beating your best friend to a pulp in video games, you'll love Halo 2.

Band / *great music*

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ing a nationwide fan base.

He has also toured in the UK, Europe and Canada. Stevens was unable to interview, but still stayed after the concert to talk to admiring fans.

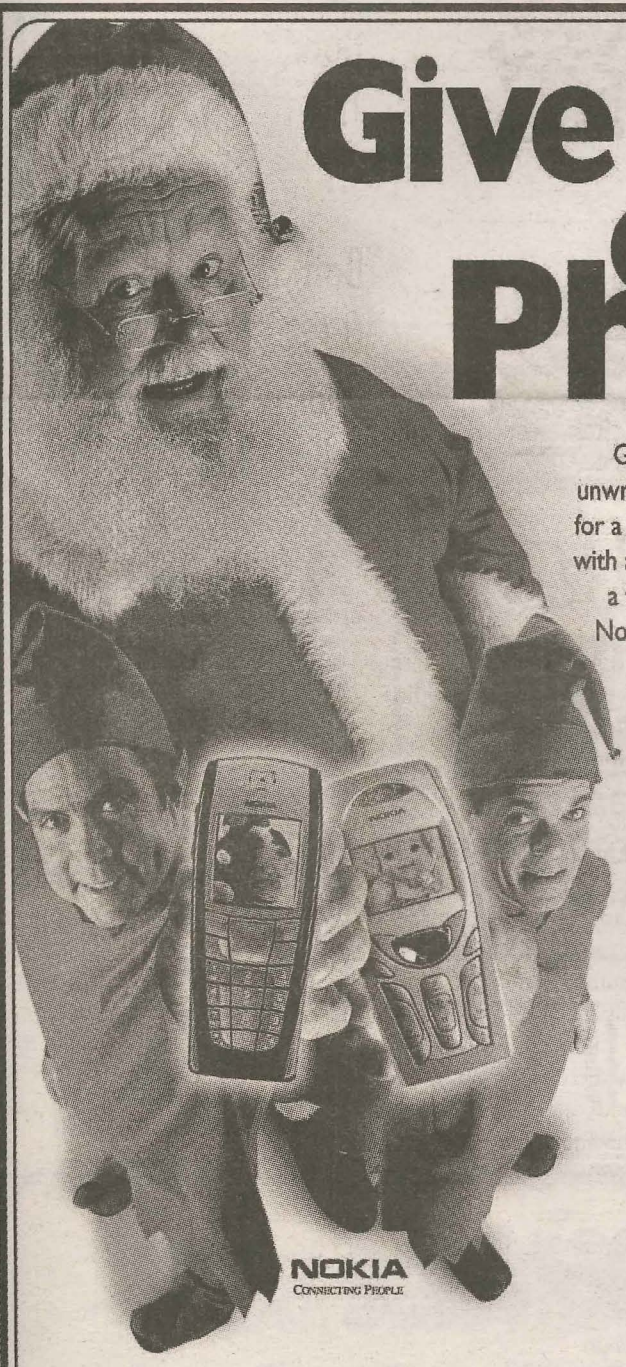
There was an aura of peace after the concert, since everyone enjoyed themselves so much.

All performers were received well, and while UW-Stout isn't quite Michigan, Stevens admitted that he enjoyed coming and performing for our campus. For college students, the concert only cost $5, which isn't much considering the amount of entertainment provided. It was an enjoyable night for all.

BDP's next event will be the alternative country band, Anchorhead, who will be performing for free on Dec. 2 in the Recreation Center for Thursday night out.

Brad Birling/Stoutonia

Sejfan Steven's drummer, John Rooinette III, created a big boom with every beat.



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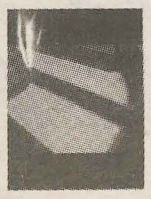

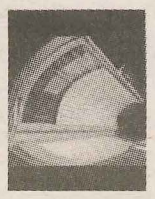

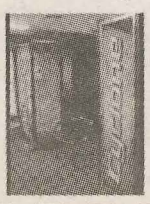

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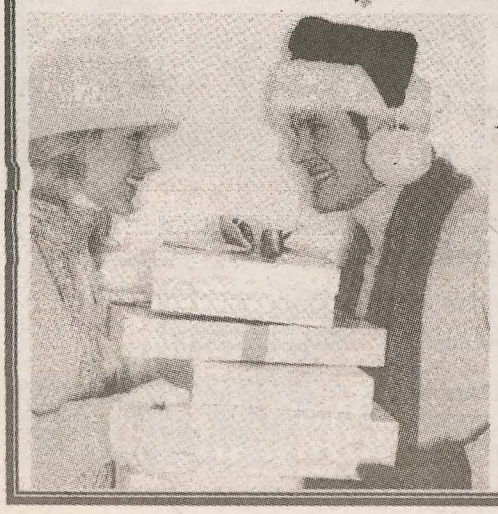

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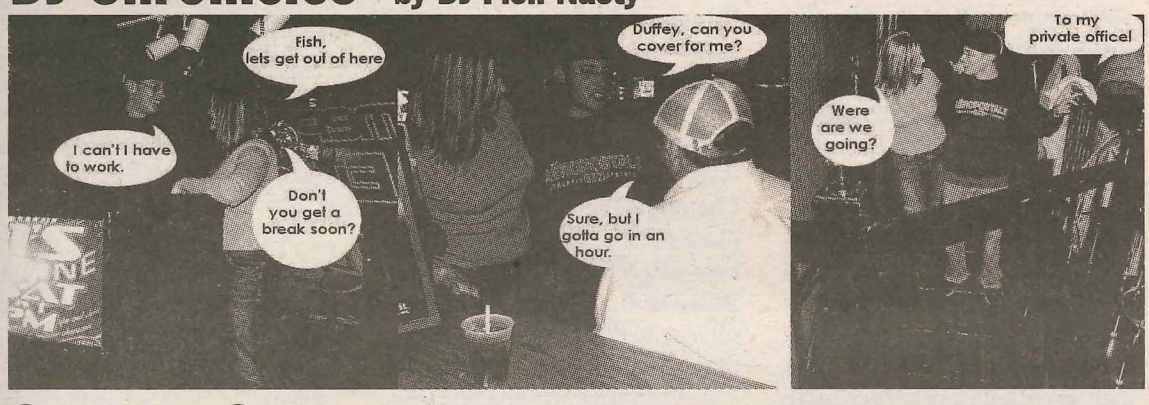

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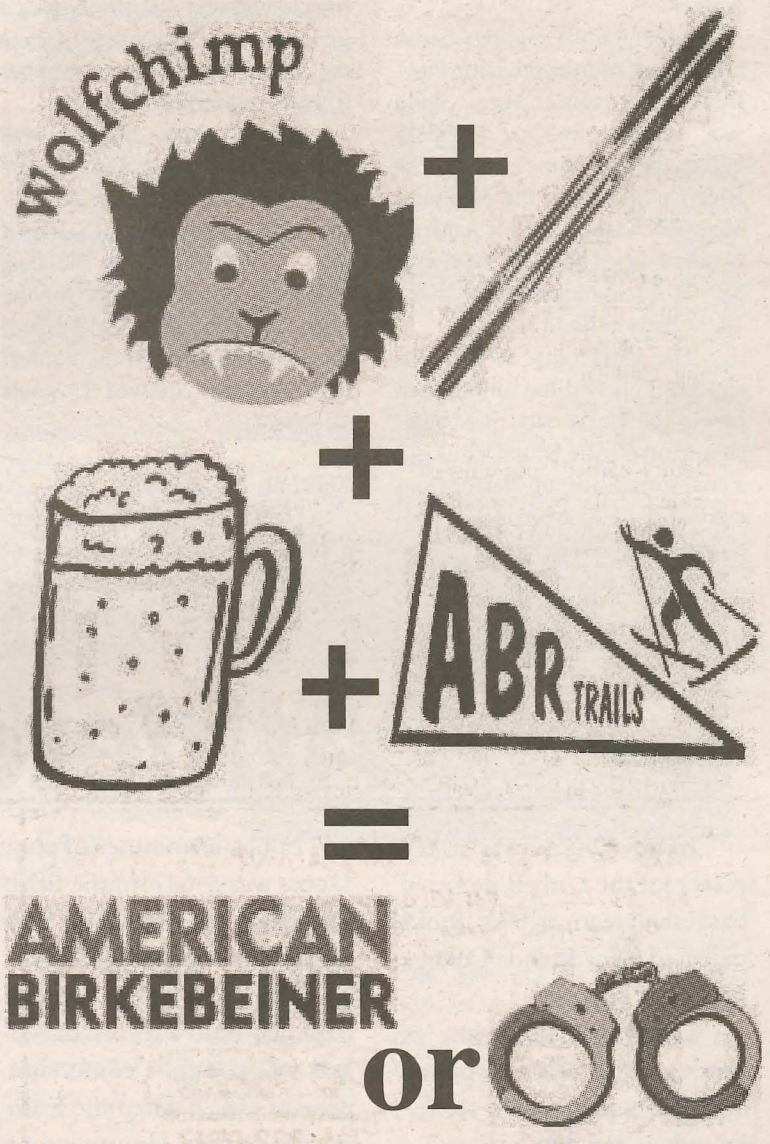

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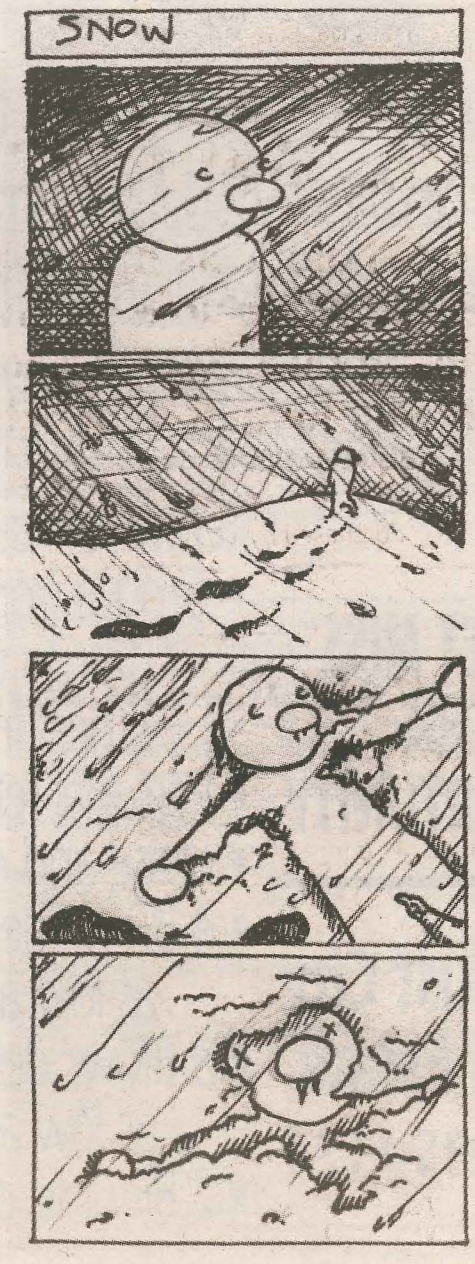

A review of the fall sports season

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Soccer

Although the regular season came to an end for the Blue Devil women's soccer team, there was some unfinished business before the end of the season. The Blue Devils hosted the inaugural Midwest Association of Athletic Conferences (MAAC) Midwest Soccer Championships on Nov. 14. at Nelson Field

The University of Wisconsin-Stout opened the tournament facing the University of Minnesota-Morris. The Blue Devils got a goal from Shannon Hermes and a goal off a UM-Morris player to cruise to a 2-0 win.

In the championship match, UW-Stout dominated Illinois Wesleyan throughout the entire game. Kelly Stolarczyk led the team with two goal as the Blue Devils walked away with the match, winning 3-0. Stolarcyzk's goals in the tournament broke the school record for the number of goals scored in a season.

Overall the season was nothing short of stellar for the Blue Devil soccer team. Finishing with a record of 15-3-2, it goes on the books as the best season in school history for the team. The Blue Devils closed out the season second in the conference and only allowed 19 goals all season.

Football

Concluding the season with a 23-13 loss to the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, the Blue Devil football squad finished with a record 5-4. While the team may have come short of the playoffs, many players on the team received honors in the conference.

Ten Blue Devil players were selected to the 2004 All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) football team. Quarterback Nick Ohman, linebacker Travis Phillips and cornerback Joe Seep received first team honors, while tight end Ross Jones, offensive lineman Jay Runk, linebacker Noah Mayer, linebacker Luke Rykal and defensive back Jordan Sinz all received second team picks.

Cross Country

Both the men's and women's cross country teams had solid performances to wrap up the season. The Blue Devil women finished 12th at regionals, while the men placed 19th in the regional meet.

Leading runners for the Blue Devils were seniors Ryan Chernik and Kersten Wilson. Wilson led the women's team with a 44th place finish, and Chernik led the men with a 74th place finish. With over 160 runners in each race, many of the Blue Devil runners found themselves in the heat of the pack throughout the race.

A top performance this season for the men was a second place finish out of 16 teams at the Beloit College Old English meet. The meet was also the top performance for the women, who finished second overall.

Volleyball

The Blue Devil volleyball team came up just short of having a fairy tale ending to a season that was full of success. UW-Stout was downed in the WIAC tournament finals by UW-La Crosse. The loss was one of few for the Blue Devils, as they ended the season with a record of 31-5.

With the season over, the team says goodbye to a group of talented seniors. Of the six seniors, two earned All-American honors from the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA). Brooke Viegut earned first team honors, while Tanille Hartwig received second team recognition. Both players have also earned all-WIAC picks.

The team was statistically dominant over the competition the entire season, posting 23 shutout wins and having a ten-match-win-streak where the team did not lose a single game.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Kelsey Duoss was a key player for the Lady Blue Devil basketball team as UW-Stout defeated Northland College 68-50 on Nov. 28.

Duoss led the team in scoring with eleven points and also pulled down six rebounds in the win.

In her 17 minutes of play, Duoss was 4-6 from the field, 3-4 from the freethrow line and accumulated four blocks.

The Lady Blue Devils currently hold a record of 5-1 and will continue conference play on Dec. 4 when the team travels to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. The team's conference record is currently 0-1.

The next home game will be on Dec. 8 when the Lady Blue Devils host the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

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Scored eleven points and had six rebounds in a win against Northland.

Kelsey Duoss
Basketball

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would battle again, but it quickly became one sided in favor of the Blue Devils.

UW-Stout scored seven unanswered goals by six different players in the game, as the Blue Devils cruised to an 8-2 victory.

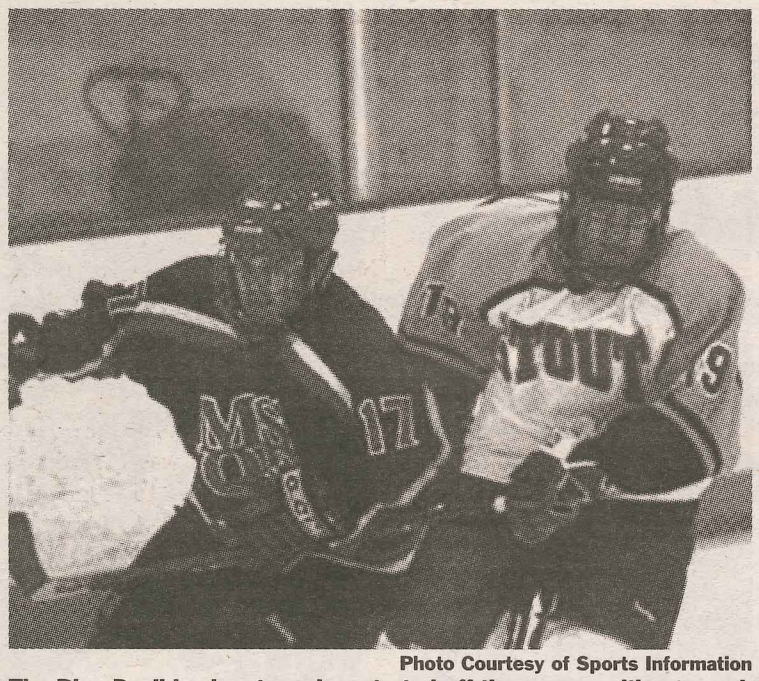
"We outwork the teams we play," said Watkins. "We run our opponents into the ground."

The next test for the Blue Devils will be on Dec. 2 when the team travels to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point to open conference play.

Although conference play is generally much tougher than non-conference play, the Blue Devils are no stranger to playing nationally ranked teams.

On Nov. 13, UW-Stout traveled to St. Thomas to face the third ranked team in the nation. With the odds against them, UW-Stout stepped up and pulled out a 5-4 victory and upset the Tommies.

Overall the Blue Devils are a very young team, only two seniors are on the team. Watkins admits that the lack of veteran talent may be a weakness when the team faces tough competition down the road. If the Blue Devils keep outplaying their opponents, Watkins will have more than this season to look forward to with such a young team.



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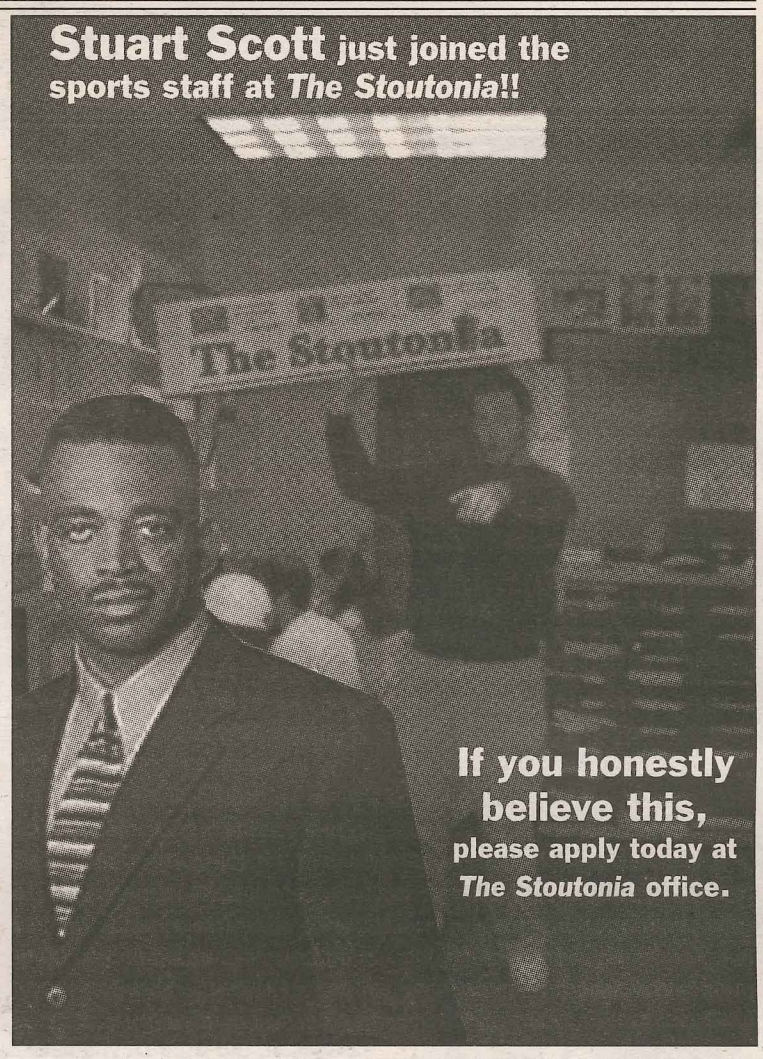
The Blue Devil hockey team has started off the season with a record of 7-3-1. The team will begin conference play on Dec. 2.



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1		147 1/2 W. Main St. #6	$200	$200	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		147 1/2 Main St #7	$240	$240	n/a	n/a	Util inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		1471/2 Main St. #8	$160	$160	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		147 1/2 Main St. #9	$220	$220	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1	1	802 6th Av #1	$230	$230	n/a	n/a	All Util included,except electric, (avail. Jan. 1)	6
1	1	802 6th Av #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	All Util included,great location	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #1	$260	$260	n/a	n/a	WSG+HotWater Inc. Storage, location,n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #3	$330	$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #4	$340	$340	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	1221 7th St.	$390	$390	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water Excellent Location	4
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #1	$495	$495	n/a	n/a	All Util Included, great location	8
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1	1	803 Wilson Av #8	$390	$390	n/a	n/a	Avail 9/1 Close to campus/util included	8
1	1	1226 Knapp St	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	Downstairs of duplex/North Menomonie	D
1	1	421 Wilson Ave #4	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
1	1	119 W Main St. #1	$275	$275	$345	$345	Close To campus and downtown	3
1	1	115 1/2 W. Main	$320	$320	$370	$370	Close to campus and downtown	O
2	1	113 W. Main	$350	$175	$420	$210	Close to campus and downtown	H
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
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2	1	619 1/2 13th Ave	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG,HotWater, Excellent Location	4
2	1	619 13th Ave	$470	$235	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG, Hot Water, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1803 _ 7th St.	$450	$225	$510	$255	Remodeled, Large Apartment/Washer/Dryer	D
2	1	1506 6th St.	$420	$210	$500	$250	Huge Bedrooms, enclosed front porch,	D
2	1	115 W Main St.	$400	$200	$485	$243	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	414 1/2 12th Ave	$430	$215	$510	$255	Upstairs apt xlose to campus	D
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2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. B	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. C	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	802 6th Ave. #5	$525	$263	n/a	n/a	Util Inc. Great downtown location/parking	6
2	1	802 6th Ave #6	$500	$250	n/a	n/a	All Utilities included Great Location Parking	6
2	1	1502 10th St.	$525	$263	$650	$325	House,Garage, Washer Dryer Hook ups	H
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$495	$165	$615	$205	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$615	$205	$715	$239	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave,	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$960	$320	n/a	n/a	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$380	$190	$455	$228	Nice Duplex with parking	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$580	$145	$760	$190	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$700	$175	$820	$205	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D

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4	1	1115 14th Ave.	$680	$170	$820	$205	Gas heat, garage, lg. Rooms, laundry.	H
4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #1	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	1.5	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St. $980	$245	$1130	$283		Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1	915 Main St	$780	$195	$910	$228	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$980	$245	$1200	$300	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1420	$355	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$1,110	$278	$1310	$328	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$600	$150	$720	$180	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	2	1115 17th Ave.	$750	$150	$960	$192	Very large rooms/WashDry hook-up	H
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	good location, Wash/Dry	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	$1150	$230	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$1000	$200	$1160	$232	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$900	$180	$1110	$220	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	2303 3rd St.	$1025	$205	$1225	$245	Washer-Dryer/ very nice inside/ large rooms	H
5	2	1521 8th St.	$1075	$215	$1250	$250	House / Large Rooms / good location	H
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1150	$230	$1325	$265	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
6	1.5	221 4th St.	$800	$134	$1020	$170	North Campus, gas heat, Wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1620	$270	$1840	$307	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1400	$200	$1625	$233	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1575	$225	$1800	$258	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

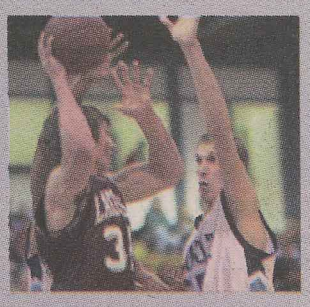
Men's Basketball
(2-2)

The basketball team beat River Falls 83-43 on Nov. 30.

Next Game:
Dec. 4 at Whitewater

Top Peformances

Kailus Coleman	15 pts
Brian Buck	12 pts
Ryan Stangl	11 pts



Women's Basketball
(5-1)

The Lady Blue Devils were downed by River Falls 77-61.

Next Game:
Dec. 4 at Whitewater

Standings

Eau Claire
Stout
Oshkosh
La Crosse
Stevens Point
River Falls
Platteville
Whitewater
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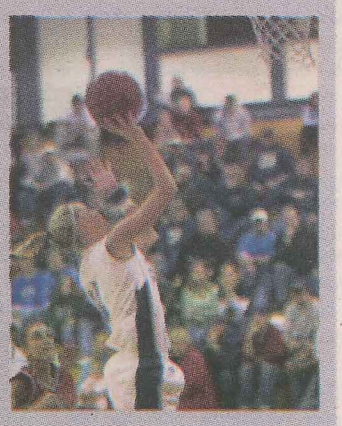
Top Performances

Lindsey Erichsen	15 pts
Lindsay Geissler	12 pts



Hockey
(4-6)

The hockey team downed Lawrence 8-2.

Next Match:
Dec. 2 at Stevens Point

Sticking it to the league

Fast start for hockey

Blue Devils are tearing up non-conference

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

At the beginning of the season, people were skeptical that the Blue Devil hockey team would have the power and experience to be a contender after losing key players to graduation in the off-season.

It was in question whether or not the team would be capable of scoring goals or if the defense could help out a new goalie in the net.

The critics are silenced.

In the first eleven games of the season, the Blue Devils have a record of 7-3-1 and average almost five goals per game.

Not only has the scoring been heavy for the Blue Devils, but the defense remains solid, only giving up three goals per game.

Last weekend, the Blue Devils hosted the University of Wisconsin-Stout Thanksgiving Hockey Tournament. It was a two-day, non-conference tournament that is a prequel to Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Northern Collegiate Hockey Association play.

In game one of the tournament, the Blue Devils were host to the Milwaukee School of Engineering. It didn't take long for the Blue Devils to crack the MSOE defense, as UW-Stout scored six goals with six different players.

"Our team is so balanced this season that it makes it hard for teams to defend us," said head coach Terry Watkins. "All of our lines are a scoring threat, and that is something we haven't had in a while."

MSOE answered with two goals in the third period, but another Blue Devil goal eliminated any comeback chances and gave UW-Stout a 7-2 victory.

Andrew Stearns scored his seventh goal of the season in the win and received an assist off a Kyle Crable goal. Stearns is the current team leader in scoring with eight goals on the season.

In the championship game, the Blue Devils faced Lawrence University. It wasn't the first time the two teams faced each other this season.

Lawrence probably had not forgotten how the Blue Devils stole a victory from them in the last meeting.

UW-Stout scored a goal with four seconds left in the game to force a 3-3 tie with Lawrence, so in this championship game, it was to be settled who was the better team.

Scott Holtz opened the floodgates for the Blue Devils by scoring the first of his two goals early in the first period.

Lawrence answered promptly and it looked as if the teams

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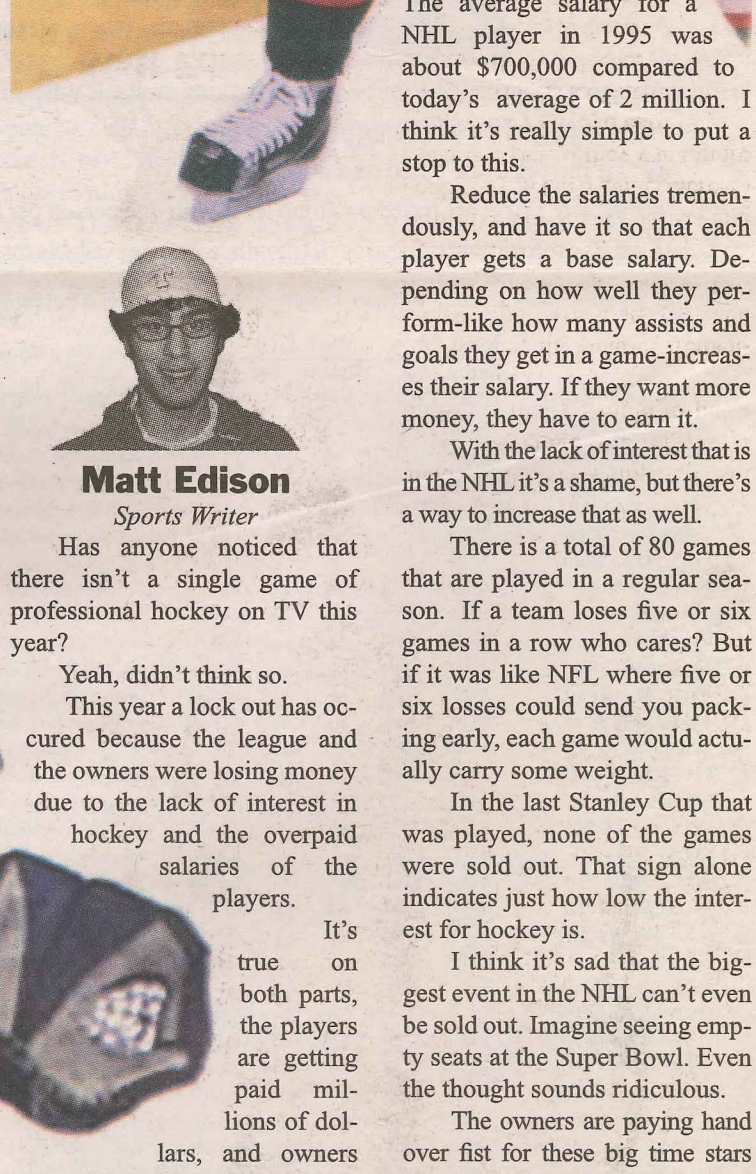

Miss the NHL?

Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Has anyone noticed that there isn't a single game of professional hockey on TV this year?

Yeah, didn't think so.

This year a lock out has occured because the league and the owners were losing money due to the lack of interest in hockey and the overpaid salaries of the players.

It's true on both parts, the players are getting paid millions of dollars, and owners aren't making up for the costs because not enough tickets are being sold.

The players are not on strike. The owners activated the lockout.

Personally, I don't care if the players want millions of dollars to play; to me when they are on TV they are only to entertain me.

Perhaps the National Hockey League (NHL) took action and forced a lock out to take the season off to think about what should be done.

The salaries of players have grown 240 percent since 1995. The average salary for a NHL player in 1995 was about $700,000 compared to today's average of 2 million. I think it's really simple to put a stop to this.

Reduce the salaries tremendously, and have it so that each player gets a base salary. Depending on how well they perform-like how many assists and goals they get in a game-increases their salary. If they want more money, they have to earn it.

With the lack of interest that is in the NHL it's a shame, but there's a way to increase that as well.

There is a total of 80 games that are played in a regular season. If a team loses five or six games in a row who cares? But if it was like NFL where five or six losses could send you packing early, each game would actually carry some weight.

In the last Stanley Cup that was played, none of the games were sold out. That sign alone indicates just how low the interest for hockey is.

I think it's sad that the biggest event in the NHL can't even be sold out. Imagine seeing empty seats at the Super Bowl. Even the thought sounds ridiculous.

The owners are paying hand over fist for these big time stars like Joe Sakic, Martin Broduer and Mark Messier, and they are just trying to buy a championship. Unfortunately in the NHL you can't pull a New York Yankees.

All the die hard hockey players are over in Finland and Sweden playing hockey ever since the lock out began because they have love and passion for the game.

On the other hand, there are players that are just sitting here and complaining that they aren't getting paid and those are the players I frown upon.

But the main point is, I am not missing hockey at all.

Are you?

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SpongeBob adorns Harvey Hall

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

The "bigger and more absorbent" SpongeBob Squarepants movie has become an icon to cartoon cinema. Bringing in $64.8 million as of December 5, 2004, the popularity of the obscure talking sponge has proven to be a hit, even amongst adult populations.

The Burger King corporation of Miami, Fl. has taken note of the popularity of the talking sponge, and is using it as a promotion of the fast-food chain's services. A variety of items are available with meals at Burger King, including watches with the image of the beloved absorbent character.

In addition to the promotions, the restaurant chain had a six-foot-tall inflatable SpongeBob on the roof of each of the franchised establishments.

The Burger King of north Menomonie had their SpongeBob figure stolen on Thursday, Dec. 2, according to a manager of the restaurant who preferred not to be named.

"We got him back yesterday, and he is not back up on the restaurant, yet," said the manager.

On Tuesday, Dec. 7, the ten-foot-tall inflatable figure was found perched atop University of Wisconsin-Stout's Harvey Hall.

Officers on the scene joked about shooting the inflatable toy to get it down. The inflatable figure was rescued properly and removed from the hall.

"It is in investigations right now," sad Lt. Todd Swartz about who might have done it. Currently, the police department is not able to comment about suspects. Swartz added that this will be treated as felony theft.

Officers from UW-Stout did not return calls for comment on Wednesday.

The toys appear to be in high demand, as one of the inflatable toys that was "legally obtained" was going on eBay for over $1,000 with less than a day left in the auction.

Burger King corporation states the

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SpongeBob Squarepants, an inflatable figure used to promote his respective movie and Burger King restaurants was stolen recently and placed atop Harvey Hall.

Supporting Troops

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

December 7, 1941 will be known amongst Americans as the infamous date that sparked the entry into World War II. Celebrated and mourned by veterans across the coutry, this date is often regarded with ceremonies, tributes and vigils for the many lost on that day, and throughout the war.

As most students know, there is a large effort amongst citizens to gain support for our troops currently involved in the military actions across the globe. The hundreds of yellow ribbons adorning the back of cars, as well as numerous billboards and signs that encourage people to "Support Our Troops" can be noticed anywhere one goes.

"I know that there are many people from [Menomonie] serving," said Shawn Peter, Stout Student Association (SSA) legislative affairs director. "They might not be here for Christmas."

As an effort to give support to our troops currently in military action and recognize those that fought for our freedoms in past wars, the SSA passed a resolution on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2004 to give honor and respect to these soldiers.

The motion was originated by Peter and seconded by Senator Joseph Seaton. The resolution contains a series of statements to represent the stance that SSA takes in regards to supporting past and present troops in action.

"My brother is a veteran, so I am glad to see that SSA is honoring our veterans," said I@n DeGraff, a senior in technical communication and former member of SSA.

This motion gives a formal way for students at UW-Stout to express their support of troops, since every student at UW-Stout is automatically a member of SSA when they pay segregated fees.

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UW-Stout awarded Title III grant

Grant will help create jobs and aid students

By Jesse Young
News Writer

Recently, on October 1, the University of Wisconsin-Stout received a new grant for the Integration of Advisement, Mobile Technologies and Assessment department. This Title III Part A Grant is effective from Oct. 1, 2004 – Sep. 30, 2009. It is worth $1,750,000.

Shirley Murphy, assistant dean of students, and the director of advisement center, is head director of the new programs of this new grant.

According to the Integration of Advisement, Mobile technologies and Assessment Title 3 Grant Summary, the first goal is to make new programs that will improve retention and graduation rates through student services and faculty development. The programs are Early Choice Career Exploration Workshops, Stout Student Plans, Online Orientation Program for Transfer Students, Online Academic Skills Program, and Faculty Development.

"These programs are all arranged to help students figure out what they need as students here at UW-Stout and how to manage their curriculum throughout their school term," said Shirley Murphy. "Also, the programs will help incoming students learn about the offered majors and minors at UW-Stout."

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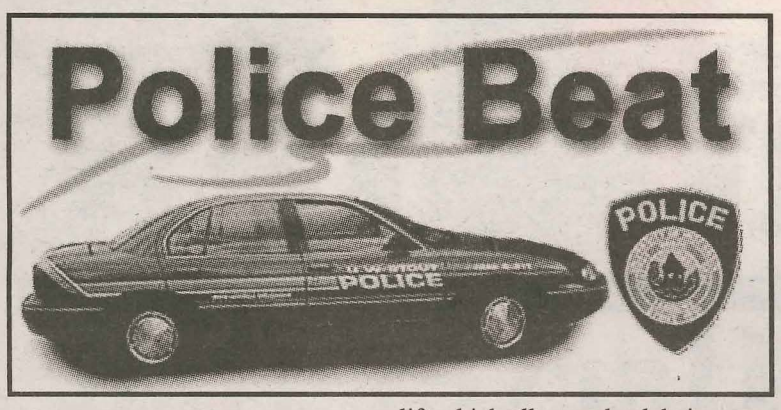

By Greta Hittner
News Writer

Citations for the week of Nov. 30 to Dec. 7
First Offense Underage Drinking: 6 Public Urination: 1
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Faulty hoses
A student building manager reported to police on Nov. 30 that there was a very bad leak coming from the pool area in the Johnson Fieldhouse. Water was leaking to the floor below, and a building custodian was helping to clean up the water when police arrived. The water had been turned off, and the leak was stopped. Police were advised that the leak was a result of a faulty hose connection that runs the handicapped chair lift which allows wheelchair bound people to use the pool. The water needed to be turned on for an evening event in which the lift would be needed. The leak was slowed enough that the event could be put on. Maintenance was notified to fix the leak the following morning.

Deep fried corn dogs
On Dec. 4 the police responded to an active alarm in HKMC Hall. The Menomonie Fire Department was not dispatched because an RA called to state that it was a false alarm. When police arrived they found that someone was cooking corn dogs in a large pan filled with grease. The grease was creating enough smoke to set off the alarm. The responding officer reset the alarm and waited to make sure that the remaining smoke would not set it off again.

Books are not free
A student was stopped as she left the Library Learning Center on Dec. 5 because she had a book in her backpack that was not checked out. The student did not have an ID on her to check the book out and stated that she had mistakenly packed the book in her backpack with the rest of her belongings when she had finished working on a report. The student was warned and advised of the consequences if this type of incident was to happen again.

See you at Burning Man, hippy
On Dec. 6 police were notified of a fire in HKMC. Upon arrival, the Hall Director explained that the fire had been in the pizza oven in the kitchen, but that it had been extinguished. The kitchen area was filled with smoke and dust from the fire extinguisher. The Menomonie Fire Department arrived and helped to air out the kitchen. No one knew whose pizza had caused the fire. Only the pizza oven was damaged.

SpongeBob

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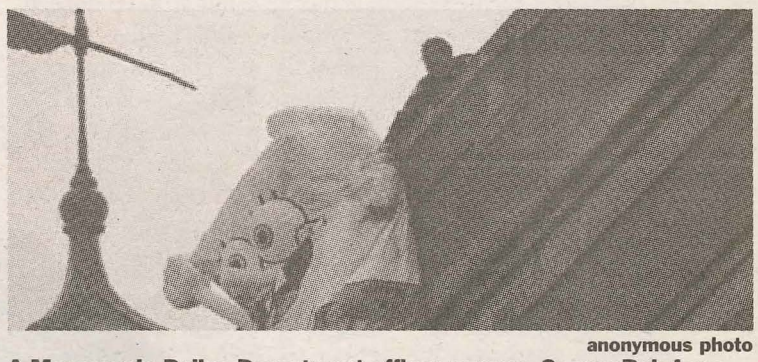
value of the inflatable to be $1,000, making removal of the items grand larceny.

Over the month of November, SpongeBobs from numerous Burger Kings in Utah, Minnesota, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin have gone missing. SpongeBobs have also gone missing in other states, but with not as much frequency. Some people speculated that there was a serial "SpongeBob abductor," since the items gone missing were close to each other.

One missing SpongeBob in Little Falls, Minn., had a ransom note left in his former spot. Ten Crabby Patties were among the many things listed on the ransom note, and it was signed "Plankton," SpongeBob's nemesis. A postscript said "Patrick," SpongeBob's sidekick was next.

Negotiations between police and a lawyer returned a safe, but slightly beaten SpongeBob in Bad Axe, Mich. to his former post atop Burger King.

There was no ransom note found at the site of the missing SpongeBob in Menomonie, and SpongeBob was returned to Burger King on Tuesday.



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A Menomonie Police Department officer rescues SpongeBob from his post atop Harvey Hall.

Stout University Foundation gives scholarships

By Jesse Young
News Writer

William J. Micheels and the Stout Alumni Association built a foundation, starting in 1961, that would give out donations to University of Wisconsin-Stout students to help with their tuition. In 1965, the Stout University Foundation awarded its first two scholarships that totaled $200. In 2004, students are awarded at least 450 scholarships, totaling $400,000.

The Stout University Foundation is a non-profit corporation with 4,500 donors that provide scholarships and grants for UW-Stout students. They also provide faculty development and professorships. It is led by a board of directors, which include alumni, friends of the university, and business and industry leaders.

On July 11, 1994, The Foundation received the top national award for educational fund raising.

"Timeless commitment of education" is what the Stout University Foundation strives for. "The mission of the Stout University Foundation is to cultivate relationships between UW-Stout and its various constituencies for the mutual benefit," according to the Foundation. "It supports the mission and goals of UW-Stout through the acquisition and stewardship of its resources."

"The Stout Foundation is an outstanding foundation that helps hundreds, if not thousands of students each year," said Pinckney Hall, dean of students. "They take a proactive role in the lives of our students. They help bring in students, and they retain students here on campus, as well."

According to Hall, the Stout University Foundation was one of the very first in the state to set up scholarships and grants for students in the UW system.

"Every little bit helps, and especially when financial aid doesn't cover all of their tuition costs," said Hall.

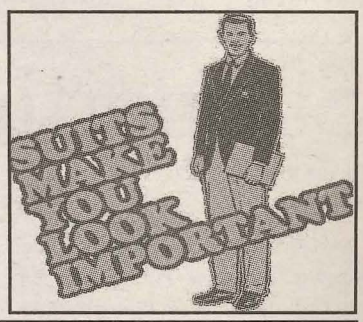
Recently, the Foundation re-installed the "S" on the clock tower in Bowman Hall. The Alumni from the classes of 1953-55 and Hugh Moltzan of the class of 1936, funded the giant "S" that we now see illuminating our clock tower every night.

"I personally didn't apply for a scholarship, but I think it helps a lot of students here at Stout," said Bryan Hoffman, a freshman in multimedia design. "For any student, extra money for tuition is great. I know that if I had applied for a grant or scholarship, it would have made my life a lot easier!"

The Stout University Foundation sponsors undergraduate and graduate students that are part time and full time students.

The awards are not based on student's financial status, so they don't need to be in a Financial Aid program to receive money from the foundation. According to their Website, full time and part time students may apply, although part time undergraduate students with 12 credits or less and part time graduate students with nine credits or less will be prorated.

All applications for scholarships and grants must be filled out and sent in by 4:30 p.m., Feb. 15, 2005. The applications list and checklist can be found on the Stout University Foundation Website http://www.uwstout.edu/foundation. Any questions can be answered by Charlene Smith at 232-1320.



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Whereas December 7th 1941 is a date that will live in infamy

Whereas Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor brought the United States into World War II and was a major event in American history that changed the world.

Whereas many Americans endured great sacrifices and exhibited great courage during World War II

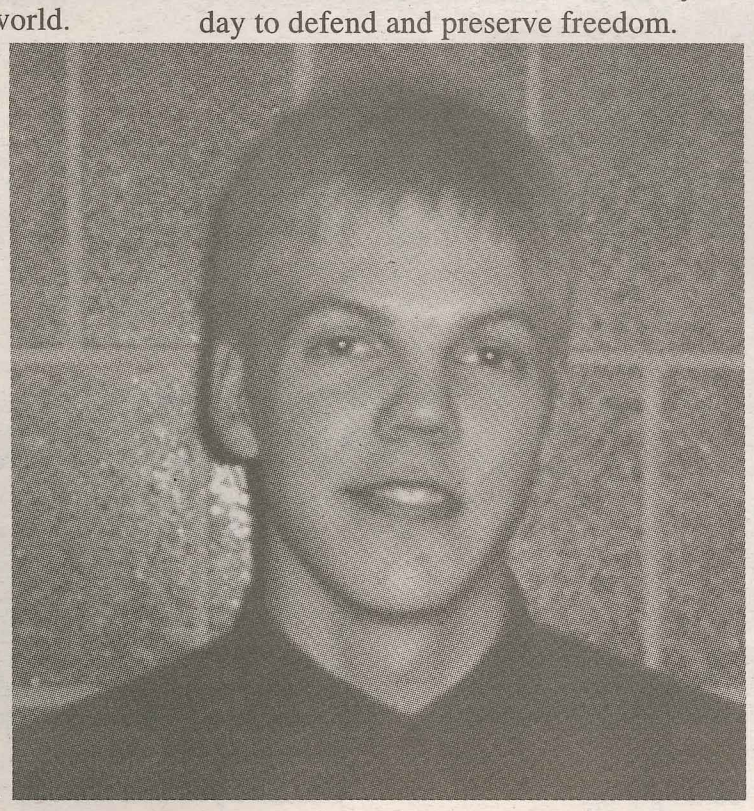
Whereas some of those Americans are still alive today and deserve to be honored

Whereas it is important to honor and appreciate all military men and women who serve or who have served in the past

Whereas many students from Stout serve themselves or have family and friends who serve in hostile places around the world such as Iraq and Afghanistan

Whereas it is important to respect and support their important mission so they may return home

Therefore be it resolved that the Stout Student Association acknowledges and honors the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor; the courage, honor, and sacrifice of all the military service men and women who served in the past and those who continue to serve in the military today to defend and preserve freedom.



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Shawn Peter, legislative affairs director for SSA, started the motion for the organization to give formal respect to troops in service.

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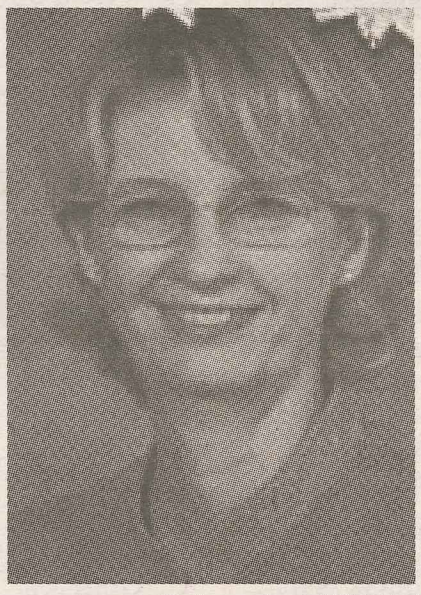
The second goal is to establish and implement a system of assessment of student learning outcomes. These goals are going to be accomplished by Implement e-portfolio to Assess Student Learning Outcomes programs, and Assess Impact Of e-Scholar Program on Student Learning programs.

"We will set up students' curriculum according to their goals. We will also arrange specific curriculums for those who wish to attend UW-Stout for the full four years. If they want to transfer after two years, we will help them attain the appropriate credits they need in order to transfer."



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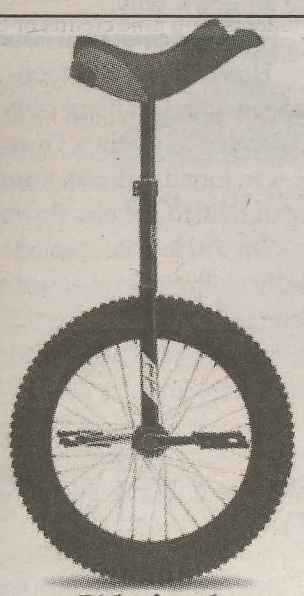
Shirley Murphy, associate dean of students worked for the Title III grant

Most of the programs will be connected with e-scholar, and will be very easy to use in the future.

"The Title III Grant will impact UW-Stout incrementally, but in the next 5 years, students will have better knowledge of what they need, and they become better students in the process. A student will become much more successful with the help of these programs."

The Title III grant has also created two new jobs here at Stout: a Student Program Coordinator and a Tech Based Curriculum Specialist. Sheryl Jones, who has a master's degree in counseling, will head up three workshops in the spring for next years' freshmen. They will learn about the campus, its courses, and they will plan out their freshman year.



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www.menomonie-wi.gov

SpongeBob comes to UW-Stout!

The Stoutonia Staff
Staff Editorial

Alright everyone. Take five.

Consider this editorial a break from the real world. This is your chance to sit back from the end of the semester stress you are under and just laugh. And trust us, this topic is laughable.

SpongeBob goes for a trip.

Assuming you looked at the front page, you saw that the popular cartoon character recently visited our very own Harvey Hall. This visit was however, not of his own free will - because he's a cartoon.

Actually, SpongeBob was stolen from the north Menomonie Burger King and put on top of Harvey as a joke.

To the souls who did it we say thank you. Shame on you, but thank you.

Stealing is wrong, but in this case it's pretty funny and harmless.

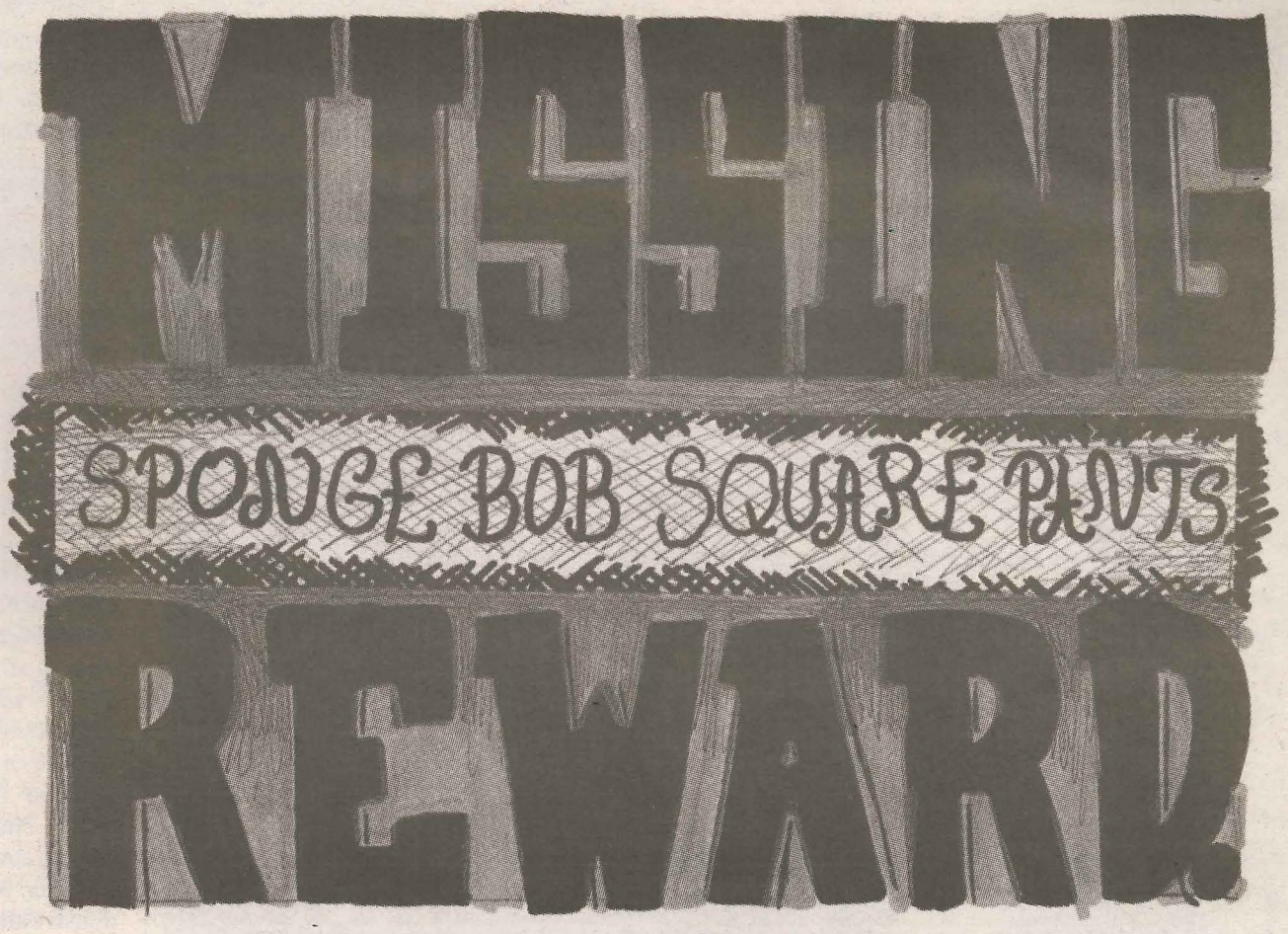
Who is the poor guy that had to call the police stating that a blowup cartoon character had been stolen?

"Umm… yea. I need to report a toon-apping… yes, SpongeBob. No, he's a giant yellow sponge, that wears pants for some reason…. Yeah, he's the guy with the square pants. That's him."

Officers at the scene joked about shooting down SpongeBob. A better idea would be a giant chalk outline of SpongeBob on the side of Harvey Hall.

Other SpongeBobs have been stolen from other Midwest Burger Kings. At one location a ransom note was left. It stated that ten Crabby Patties had to be handed over in order to ensure a safe return of SpongeBob. Nicely done.

But let's take this ransom thing much further people. You just stole a giant SpongeBob. If you don't intend to have some fun with this situation, don't get our hopes up.



Demanding ten Crabby Patties seems a little small minded for a food that doesn't even exist. Why not a lifetime supply? And ask for all of those SpongeBob watches they are giving out while you are at it.

Speaking of the watches, we have received a report from an insider that says Chancellor Sorensen has a SpongeBob watch but only wears it in his office.

If you believed that last paragraph, we hope you enjoy your ninth year here at Stout.

To the Menomonie toon-nappers. Nice placement. Do you have plans for any other giant inflatable cartoons on our campus?

Our staff tried to think of what harm this heist could have done, and all we came up with was the fact that without SpongeBob to draw people in, Burger King might lose some business. Then another member mentioned that what caught their attention was the fact that SpongeBob had gone missing and that with him missing, they had noticed Burger King more. Either way, SpongeBob isn't back on top of Burger King, and we all know why.

He's got emotional issues.

Honestly, he was toon-napped and then hung from a four-story building. Once he was found, officers joked about how to get him down.

On a side note, can one really claim to have found a SpongeBob like this? After all this is a giant yellow cartoon character.

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Take the opportunities college offers

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

As I reflect on my experiences since I've come to the University of Wisconsin-Stout as a freshman, five and a half years ago, I realize it's been a long journey that has really flown by. I came into the college world full steam ahead, playing both collegiate volleyball and track & field for the first year.

It really helped me to get involved right off the bat and meet a ton of people. Don't be intimidated by feeling like you're not good enough. You'll never know unless you try out, and you will most likely surprise yourself and make the team.

In collegiate sports you get to know each other faster and better than even your dorm roommate. You eat, breathe, travel, play and party together 24/7, which also helps for holding each other accountable in academics as well.

By my sophomore year I knew that I wanted to focus on my education, because after all, I was the one paying for it. The summer after my sophomore year, I decided to study abroad in Australia. If you have never considered doing this, go to the international office immediately.

Studying abroad was probably the one greatest thing I've done during my college career. If you are sitting there telling yourself you'd love to but can't afford it, that doesn't matter. That's what student loans are for and the experience far outweighs the cost.

I not only learned more through my travels than I ever could have here, I gained amazing experiences, memories, friends and the first introduction to my love for photography.

I also took a month afterwards to travel to Papua New Guinea, which changed my life. I saw life in its simplest form, and it opened my eyes to see how amazing the families were that I lived with. They didn't need money because they lived off of the land and were happier than any American that I know. Imagine life without money, bills, electricity, running water and technology; quiet and breathtakingly beautiful.

I've decided that Cultural Anthropology is a class best taken in the field where you can actually be a part of that culture. I think every individual needs to experience being a minority. Open your mind to explore what lies beyond Menomonie, beyond Wisconsin, beyond the United States. It's not scary; it's invigorating.

Culture shock wasn't something I experienced in the other cultures I was surrounded by; it came when I came back to America after living in a third world country at the pace of life that even a snail would easily surpass. I came back to the shock of consumerism, overpopulation, destruction and the general inability to do anything other than race through life as fast as we can.

Take advantage of your school breaks. Don't just work that old high school job that isn't really teaching you anything; get out into the real world before you graduate. I had an internship in Washington State at Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium doing graphic design work. Probably the best summer job I could have possibly had, a paid internship where I got to eat lunch watching the whales.

At the very least, get to know the international students that come here. Some of my best friends from college were only here for a year on exchange from Germany. I feel so fortunate to have met friends as amazing as they are.

Take the opportunities that college life has to offer, learn from them and let them help you grow. Above all, don't be afraid of your professors, they are your best resource for helping steer you in the right direction for the real world.

Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Enough about Halo 2,

As ecstatic as I am that you guys are willing to write articles about video games, it's disappointing that you are limiting yourselves to one game.

Gamers that are aware of Halo 2 already know of its features, so why are you writing an article about things they've known since the game was announced? Keep in mind the fact that nearly all the aspects of Halo 2 are nothing revolutionary to first person shooters...unless Halo and Halo 2 are the only games you've played.

I'm happy that you respect Goldeneye 007 as a timeless classic, but why are you comparing Halo 2 to a game that's nearly two generations apart instead of a more recent game?

I understand that many anticipated Halo 2, and I highly doubt it's a horrible game. However, not everyone owns an X-box, myself included. I own almost everything but one, and I certainly don't consider myself "unfortunate". So what about us? Where are the articles on Half-Life 2, Metroid Prime 2, and Metal Gear Solid 3?

What also irked me was the statement that implies only males play video games, completely ignoring the fact that we female gamers make up approximately thirty percent of the market.

If you're going to review the game, review the game. Don't advertise it. And for the future, make sure you have an actual gamer do them and not a hype-fed fan. If you are in need of an open-minded gamer, you know my number.

Ami Kriho
UW Stout Student
and hardcore gamer

Editor's note: The following two submissions were edited for length.

Doesn' need to bring B-game

"What would Jesus do?" C'mon, Brian--you can do better than that.

More importantly, we are not "fighting for our religion." Don't turn this into a Crusade, Mr. Legg.

"If it is just for us to fight for our religion, is it not equally just for radical Islamic factions to wage jihad against the West to protect their religion?" What?

We are not fighting for Christianity's sake--Sept 11th widened our eyes to the threats posed by terrorists...and yes, those terrorists are radical, fundamentalist Muslims. It is not a war against Islam, Mr. Legg, but it just so happens that the terrorists that are flying planes into our buildings are Muslims. Your justification of radical Muslims--note I say radical--waging war on us is rather disturbing, as is you're placing a superficial notion of 'fairness' above our national security...not a good idea.

All I said was, "if you are going to be pro-life, don't be selectively pro-life." --and I said that you can't make that argument unless the two are equal: killing via abortion does not equate to killing in war. Even if your point was valid, you fail to see the contradiction: if your point was true, your stance would be as invalid--being for abortion and against war--as our position is--against abortion and for war. Do you see what I'm saying?

And once again, splitting hairs by trying to identify yourself as 'pro-choice' not 'pro-abortion' doesn't change the fact you ultimately support the practice of abortion.

Dan Eaton
UW-Stout Student

Remember these days

Ms. Bailey, once again a great column. I'm flattered my response to your Homecoming article struck a cord. To your "thank you" I would like to say, "it was my pleasure."

Yes, you will miss it. The lousy food, the lousy housing, the long hours. etc. etc. etc. Trust me, there will come a time in your life when you will miss it all. In my case it took me about 10 years. I realized how much that lousy food, lousy housing and all that went with it, really meant to me. It suddenly dawned on me, that cramped room down on 1st Hovlid and all the freedom it provided wasn't such a bad thing after all.

Don't be sad about your friends. You'll be amazed how many you keep in touch with... if you want to. And for the one's that fade away, be thankful for the memories.

31 years after graduation my closest and dearest friends are one's I made at school. We all have a mutual bond, Stout. It was that shared experience all these years ago that we still talk about to this day. It's what bound us together then and it's what still binds us today.

They say you only go around once in life.... but I say if you do it right once is enough.

Good luck after graduation Ms. Bailey, and congratulations on your impending marriage. You are right, "these memories are too great to run away from."

See you at homecoming!

Wayne Novotny
UW-Stout Graduate 1973

Time to help out the community

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

Christmas is coming and, somewhere a goose is getting fat. This particular goose will more than likely be served with all of the trimmings you could possibly imagine. Spices, berries and stuffing all sitting next to goblets of eggnog engaged in an immobilized dance to the tune of Rudolf the Red-nosed Reindeer.

I'm personally very excited this year for Christmas. My family and I are venturing forth to the world's largest retirement home to enjoy Universal Studios. Two years ago we went to Disney World and had a blast. We didn't fight or argue, not a single dispute was had. This is one of my most precious family memories.

All over Christmas music can be heard; in the Student Center, walking down Main Street and on many TV networks. Ray Davies of the Kinks penned one of my favorites, it's called Father Christmas, and here is a sample from the lyrics.

Father Christmas, give
us some money
We'll beat you up if you
make us annoyed
Father Christmas, give
us some money
Don't mess around with
those silly toys
But give my daddy a job
'cause he needs one
He's got lots of mouths to feed
But if you've got one, I'll
have a machine gun
So I can scare all the kids
down the street

I know; I know; this is definitely not what one thinks about when you hear the words "Christmas music," but it still remains one of my favorites.

I'm a sucker for early punk and this little ditty definitely qualifies. Fast and angry but with a point that extends beyond the mainstream subjects of chicks and drugs that was going on in much of popular music during 1978.

At the University of Wisconsin-Stout, we live in a little bubble of obscurity. At the only UW school not named for the city it resides in, life seems to take on a different shade and can easily become displaced from the rest of the world. It is no surprise that many of us don't even realize the poverty around us.

Dunn County is by no means the wealthiest county in Wisconsin, not by a long shot. Sure we students bring in armloads of cash for the university and surrounding area businesses. The bars, Wal-Mart and definitely the rental owners all do very well from our cash. These things will all continue just fine with or without us despite my daydreams of someday helping to topple a specific one of them.

What we can do is help out each other and the actual community (not businesses) a little bit. How many of us have a friend or know somebody who has been living off of ramen and potatoes for a couple of weeks now? I know a few. I guarantee you nothing would make these people happier than a bag of groceries.

If you would like to do more, then please, by all means, visit the SOC desk in the lower level of the student center. Sitting directly opposite of it is a little Christmas tree with precious few gifts underneath it. This is our college community's Giving Tree, and it should be filled.

All it would take is for the majority of the people on one dorm floor to each donate five dollars, and you could make several people very happy this Christmas. This can also be said for all of the athletic teams, student organizations, faculty departments and off-campus houses. This is little more than a pack of cigarettes, a top-shelf drink or a combo from the Terrace Grill. What do you say we give it a shot? You'll sleep just a little better, I promise.

In closing, I would like to leave you with just one more sample from Father Christmas.

Have yourself a merry
merry Christmas
Have yourself a good time
But remember the kids
who got nothin'
While you're drinkin' down
your wine

This is your chance

Brian Legg
Columnist

Do you like what you read in this paper? Do you think the views expressed fairly represent Stout student's own personal sentiments? If you do or if you don't I implore you to take the initiative and get a job on *The Stoutonia* staff. It is a great experience, and it is a great way to express your ideas to a large audience.

I have tried my best to offer a view or opinion in each of my columns that is well thought out and clearly defined. This is not to say that I have always been completely successful in my attempt.

However, I have learned much through my experience as a writer for *The Stoutonia*. I have learned that while many people may agree with my views, some don't, and there is a good chance that they never will.

I have come to realize that that's okay. The point isn't to change minds, but to open them. It's not to dictate right from wrong, but rather offer a new way of thinking about the difference between the two.

It's funny, but for an opinions writer I'm not really that opinionated at all. I've realized that beliefs are things to be held until they are no longer valid and then replaced with something new. Clinging to old ideas and ideals is not the way to develop and progress as an individual.

We shouldn't take our own beliefs for granted. They are the concepts by which we judge our own right from wrong, and they help define who we are as people.

I'm writing this because I've been thinking about why I got started in the first place.

I was reading a former writer's columns as an underclassman and really disagreeing with what he was saying. I wrote a couple of lengthy letters to the editor and received the response, "we can only print X amount of words, unless you come down and apply for a position." So I did. Then I got paid to have an opinion.

But once I was getting paid, I couldn't just be angry and oppositional, I had to actually have a view of my own; one that I could back up. It took me a while to find my own style, but once I got into the groove it flowed out of me. I digress.

This spring semester I am moving to Madison for an internship. I am going to take a semester off from writing and gain some perspective, which I will bring back for my final semester next fall.

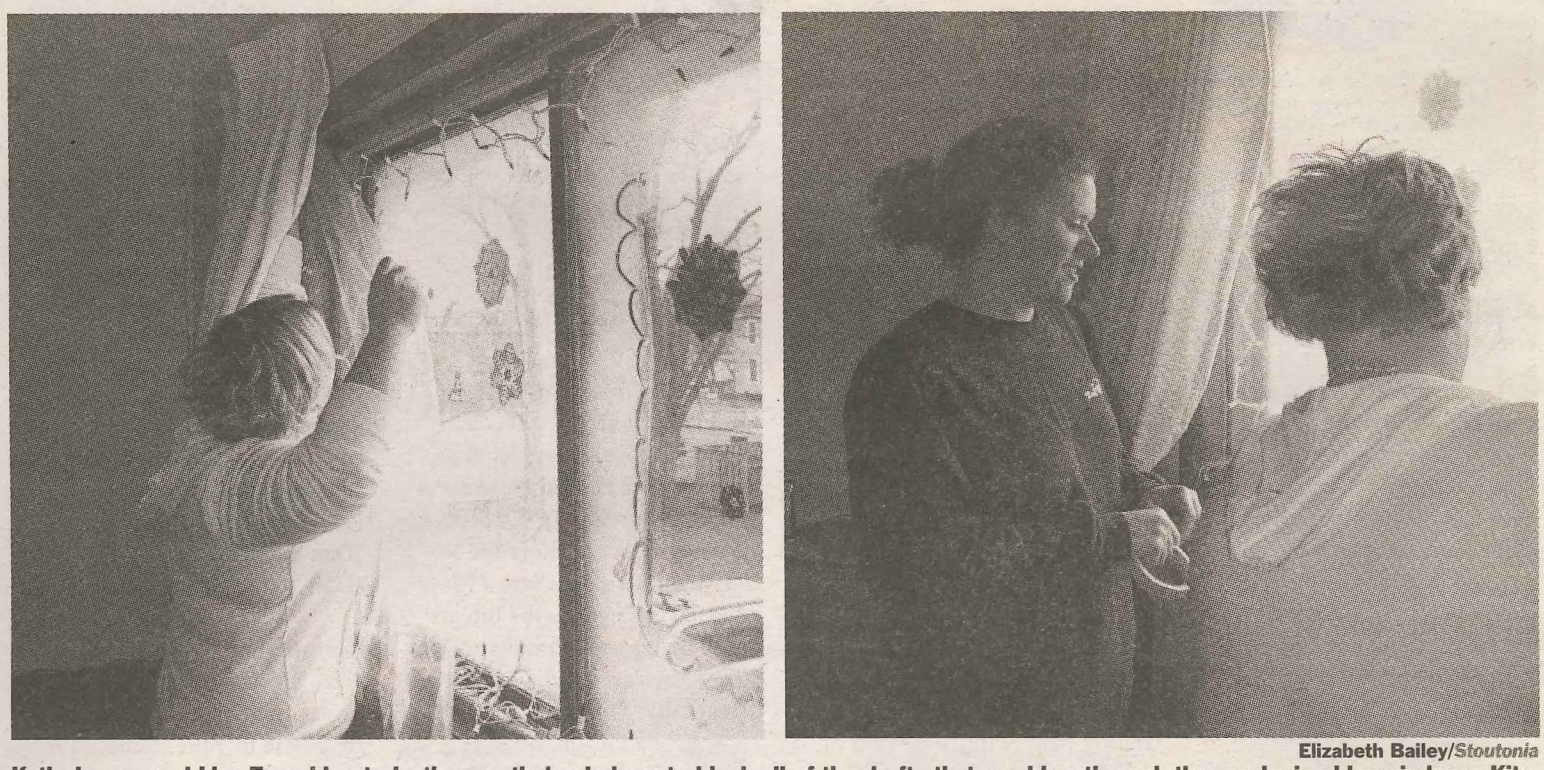
When I get back, there had better be someone who has taken over my duty. Those of you who have bashed me either via letters to the editor or personal e-mail, this is your chance to step up and make your voices heard. Those of you who have agreed with me, thank you and this is your chance too.

Some will love you, some will hate you, but if you deliver your point well, all will at least respect you.

Peace out, Stout.

Warmer homes and thicker wallets

By Elizabeth Bailey
Student Life Writer



Elizabeth Bailey/*Stoutonia*

Katie Jensen and Lisa Evavold put plastic over their windows to block all of the drafts that can blow through the cracks in older windows. Kits or rolls can be found at Wal-mart and, depending on the number of windows that need to be covered, costs around $10 for the rolls and tape.

If you don't want to let your money blow out the window, take the time to winter-proof your home. It's affordable and doesn't take that much time if your whole household helps out.

Since the majority of college housing is relatively old, the houses are generally not heat efficient. Many windows don't include storm windows, which are meant to help with extra drafts. With a few simple treatments, you will notice your house holding heat better, as well as your energy bills being reduced.

Windows are the biggest problem because of old seals that don't block all of the wind.

"Most windows are the cheapest the landlords can buy to keep the inspectors away," said Scott Prihoda, a senior majoring in service management. "The plastic blocks drafts, keeping the temperature more constant and is much easier to install with two people."

To remove those drafts, simply adhere plastic to the entire window. Depending on the number of windows, you can either get a kit or a roll.

"If you buy the roll of plastic instead of the kits, it ends up saving you a couple of bucks and works just as good," said Courtney Zuber, a junior in psychology. "You can find all of that at Wal-Mart."

If all roommates do their own windows and they help each other with the common living areas, it should only take about an hour to install the plastic. It's a very affordable investment.

"For all of the plastic and tape it costs around $10, and that was for the whole house," said Katie Jensen, a junior majoring in family and consumer science education.

Keeping your blinds open during the daylight will help let mother nature's natural heat, in and closing them at night adds another layer to keep the heat from escaping.

"For the most part it stays pretty comfortable in our living room," said Jensen. "I haven't experienced any drafts yet, except from the doors opening."

Doorways are the next biggest draft problem. Homes with porches in the entry way help to trap the cold air before it rushes in the house. If you have large gaping cracks around your doorways, ask your landlords about putting caulk around the frame to block the drafts. Many landlords will allow it, but only if maintenance does the job.

Adding rectangular foam insulating strips around your doors is an alternative to caulk, and since it is easily removed, it should be allowed in most college housing.

"I would suggest Wal-Mart or Fleet Farm because it will probably be cheaper," said Jensen.

Keep your bedroom door closed to keep the heat inside.

Try to take the time to install any winter proofing before the holiday break to help prevent heat loss. For roommates who are remaining in Menomonie for winter break, keep unused rooms closed up.

One of the tips for saving energy while you're on vacation from http://friendlyplumber.com is to lower your thermostat temperature 5-10 degrees. Make sure you don't turn it lower than 50-55 degrees Fahrenheit; any lower than that and you risk pipes freezing.

Even the small things add up, like electrical outlets that allow air to come through. Adding child safety outlet plugs is a quick and easy way to fix even the small drafts. As always be sure to turn your refrigerator to its lowest setting over the break, and remove any food that may spoil.

Why pay for all of that energy if nobody's home? It doesn't take much effort to lower your energy bill.

Eau Claire to hold 7th annual Polar Plunge

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

http://www.wisconsinselect.com

The Polar Plunge, a fundraiser which will benefit the Special Olympics, will take place in Eau Claire, Wis. on Sunday, Feb. 6, 2005. Those involved will jump into Halfmoon lake despite the cold weather.

No wetsuits allowed! You may think jumping into an icy Wisconsin lake during February sounds crazy, but in the last six years, over 19,000 Wisconsin residents have plunged into lakes and rivers in support of the Special Olympics.

The Special Olympics, currently serving almost 1.4 million people with disabilities, is an organization dedicated to individuals with intellectual disabilities by encouraging them to become physically fit, productive and respected through sports training and competition.

In 2005, the Polar Plunge will be held in nine cities around Wisconsin, including our neighboring city, Eau Claire.

Wisconsin's chapter has raised nearly $3 million through pledges for the Polar Plunge.

While many University of Wisconsin-Stout students volunteer for Special Olympics events, not many participate in the plunge.

"[Alpha Phi Omega] has plunged every year, but other than that, only a handful of students and one or two other groups from Stout have come," said Andrea Sullivan, plunge director and development director for Indianhead Area Special Olympics. "We are hoping for 1,000 plungers this year, and the only way that's going to happen is if more university and high school students participate."

According to the Special Olympics organization, "the Polar Plunge is a unique opportunity for individuals, organizations and businesses to support local Special Olympics athletes. Events like the Polar Plunge help subsidize training, travel and other costs needed to support our athletes."

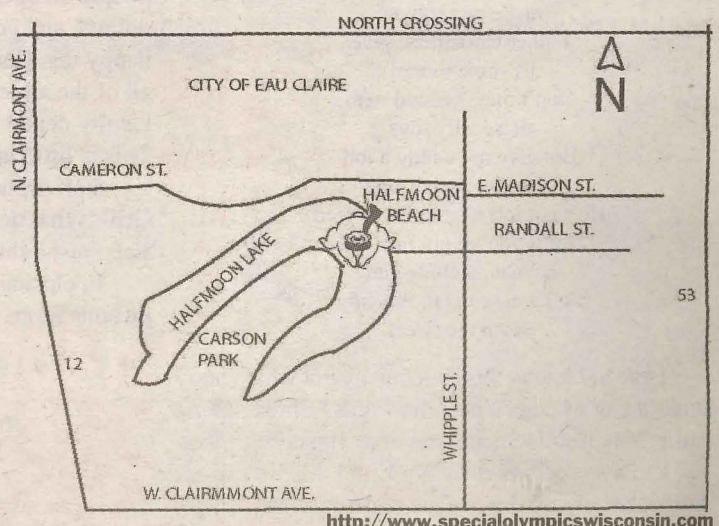
The Polar Plunge in Eau Claire will be held on Sunday, Feb. 6 at Half Moon Beach in Carson Park. Directions and other information can be found on the Wisconsin chapter's Web site at http://www.specialolmpicswisconsin.org.

On-site registration for the event begins at 11 a.m., and the actual plunge will take place from noon to 3 p.m. You must be prepared with your pledges when registering.

Online registration is also available, which is a benefit because friends and family can pledge you online with their credit cards. The cost to plunge is $15 per person.

There are incentives offered to those who gather large groups of people. Anyone turning in $65 worth of pledges will receive an official Polar Plunge sweatshirt. Beach towels, mock turtleneck tees, stadium blankets, thermoses and wind shirts are offered for various price increments.

The Special Olympics warns, "expect to lose your breath for a second."



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Weber serves students with a smile on her face

Expressway Cart worker has a long history with UW-Stout, Menomonie community

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

The days can get pretty long for some, but there's always a friendly, smiling face to greet hungry students, faculty and staff at the Harvey Hall food cart.

Barbara Weber has worked at the Harvey Hall Expressway Cart for nearly five years.

"I like the people," said Weber. She says people often come by the food cart just to chat and sometimes to tell her about their day-to-day problems.

"Everyone is so nice," said Weber, "I don't think I've ever talked to someone here who was not nice."

Weber has a long history with the UW-Stout community that reaches far beyond her employment with the University Dining Service.

Weber is a UW-Stout alumna who graduated with a degree in dietetics in 1965. After graduation, Weber did chemistry research at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

A lot has changed since Weber attended UW-Stout. Besides noting the increase in size of the community, Weber says that technology has also made ordinary parts of college life easier.

"When we registered for classes we used to have to stand in line for ever and ever," said Weber. She also said that it is now much easier for students to communicate with their professors.

According to Weber, education has always been important to her family.

"My grandmother really believed in an education," said Weber. "Back [in the 1930s], it was quite an accomplishment to send your children to college."

Weber's father and brother have both taught mathematics. Two of Weber's sons have gone to school for mathematics and her third son will graduate this month and become a physical therapist. Weber's niece and some of her cousins have also attended UW-Stout.

Besides her family's inclination towards higher education, the Weber family has always enjoyed working in food service.

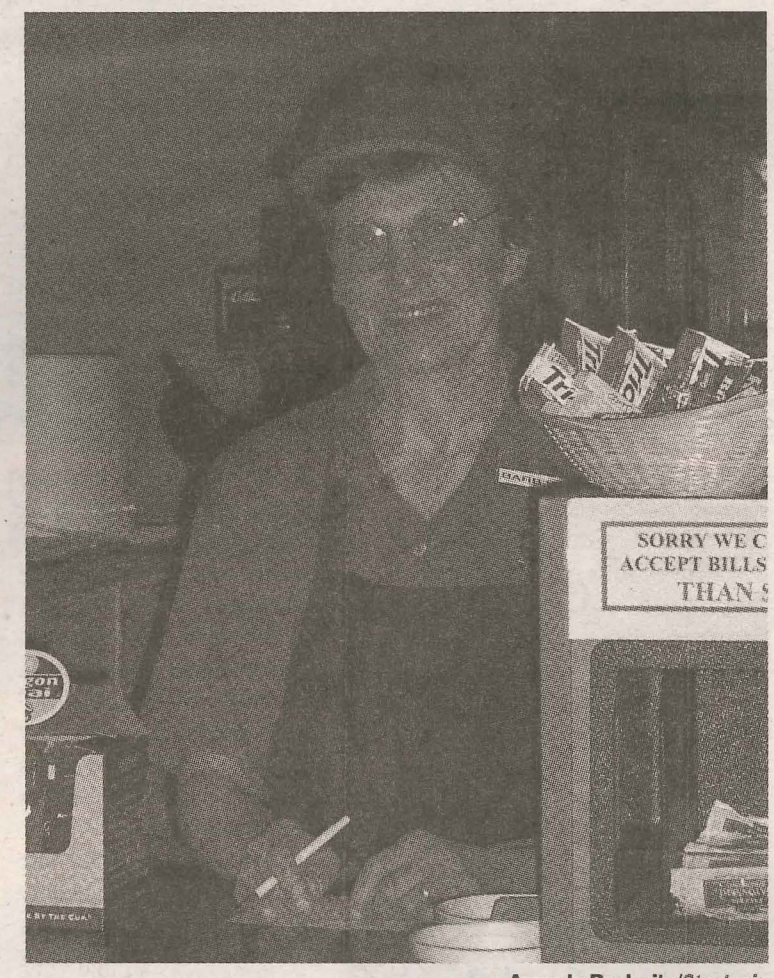
"My grandfather was in the Alaskan gold rush, and he was known to have worked [as a cook] in the lumber camps," said Weber.

After her father had been a teacher and coach, he became a cater cook. Weber says her brother also cooks.

Many students say they have positive experiences with Weber at the Harvey Hall food cart. Some of them talk to her every day.

"What she does is very important," said Clay Elmhorst, a junior in technology education. "Every day you see her, she's smiling, and that's the sort of thing we students sometimes take for granted."

"She's really positive," said Natalia Vincent, a senior in applied math and computer science. "She's very friendly and sociable—a very nice lady."



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*
Weber graduated from UW-Stout in 1965 with a degree in dietetics. One major change in the campus since then is the technology.

The compliments continue.

"She's never in a bad mood," said John Reed, a senior in technical communication. "I'd say she's one of the best people here."

The feeling is mutual, as Weber said she also enjoys interacting with the people of the UW-Stout community.

"I have gotten to know so many people from so many different backgrounds," said Weber. "Young people give me a new enthusiasm for trying new things. They share with me the excitement of their successes."

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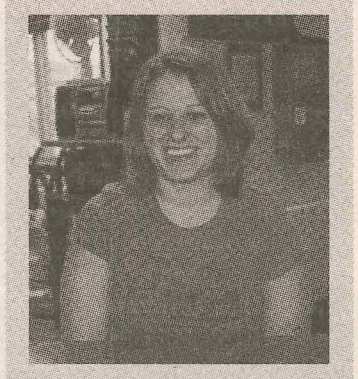
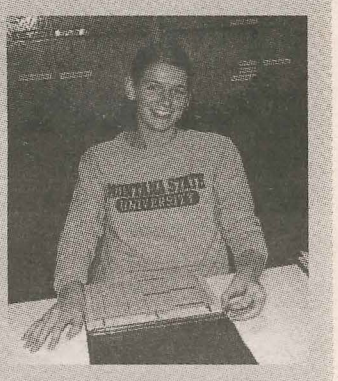
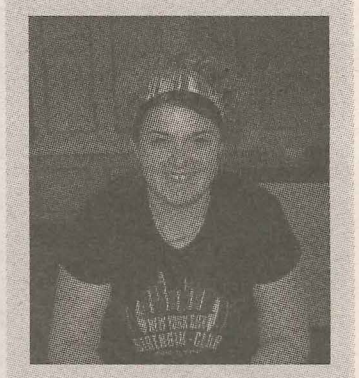
"If you could take a Ken (or Barbie) doll on a date, where would you go?"



"Vegas, because whatever happens in Vegas stays in Vegas."
Jackie Berti
junior
business administration



"Surfing in Hawaii because he always has good abs."
Jenna Wittman
sophomore
hospitality and tourism



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Rate your professor

By Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

Now that most students know which courses and which professors they are registered for next semester, some students have located a very non-traditional resource for choosing which professor they want to take for a given course.

Titled "Rate Your Professor," this Web site can be found at www.ratemyprofessor.com. The general concept, to rate how well your professor can teach, is stated right in the title.

"This could be a good place for people to find out what their teachers are going to be like for next semester," said Heidi Sleep, a junior in technical communication.

The "Rate Your Professor" site currently has information about 260 University of Wisconsin-Stout professors with an option to add professors that are not yet on the list.

When visiting the site, you are able to browse for your college by going to the Wisconsin section, scrolling down to the UW-Stout page, and then browsing professors using the first initial of their last name. Possible ratings professors can receive include good quality, average quality and poor quality.

To rate a professor, you select numbers 1-5 to evaluate easiness, helpfulness and clarity, as well as how interested you were in the class before you were enrolled in it.

You also select whether they are still teaching or if they are retired.

Next, for fun, you may decide whether they are hot or not. A hot rating will give them a chili pepper by their name on the main UW-Stout list of professors. This is optional. It may surprise you which professors other students consider hot.

You also are asked to enter what class you were taking with the professor.

After that, you can make comments up to 300 words long describing anything not previously addressed in the questions. These comments should be kept clean or they will be removed from the Web site.

This site is completely anonymous, and submitted data becomes the property of the Rate Your Professor Web site.

"It seems like a good idea because you could warn people about professors, but it doesn't seem like anyone puts anything negative on there," said Jennifer Guggenheimer, a senior in technical communication.

After looking through the postings, you'll notice Guggenheimer has a point. This isn't a bash your professor site, but more of honest feedback from students who feel they can help others choose the correct professor and the learning style for the best education.

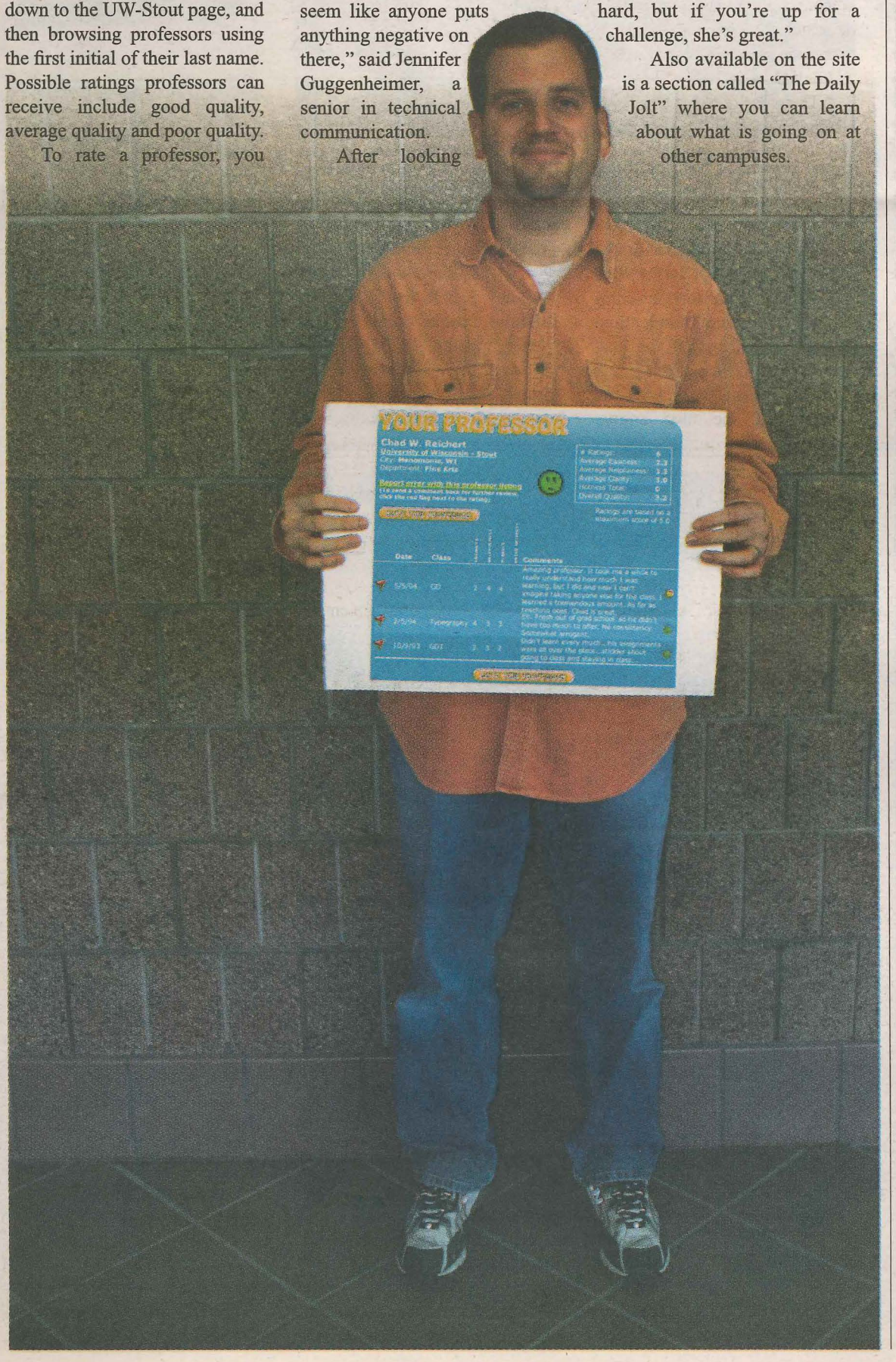
Another option that is available at the site is to become a registered gold member which allows you to see more than just the 10 most recent comments made about a given professor. You are no longer anonymous, but other users can contact you for further questions about the professors you comment on.

Being a gold member also eliminates the pop-up ads. It costs $9.95 per year or $14.95 for two years. This does not automatically renew itself.

There is also a message board that students can post comments on, which are not neccesarily related to the rating of professors.

Often you'll find postings like "great guy, but has a difficult time explaining theory," or "some people don't like her because she pushes the class hard, but if you're up for a challenge, she's great."

Also available on the site is a section called "The Daily Jolt" where you can learn about what is going on at other campuses.



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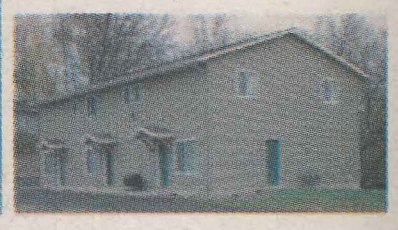
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>WinterDaze, Caroling, Santa & Hot Chocolate in the Clock Tower Plaza, 5 p.m., Main Street Parade, 6:30 p.m. and a Dazzling Fireworks Display over Lake Menomin following the Parade.
>Embodied: senior exhibition, Student Gallery AA 209, 6 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 10
>Music: Children 18:3, Blind Munchies Café, 7 p.m., free.

Saturday, Dec. 11
>A Child's Christmas in Wales, Harvey Hall Theatre, 7 p.m., food donation is requested.
>Santa, Thunderbird Mall, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
>Hockey- Riverfalls, Dunn County Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.
> Men's Basketball, Bethany Lutheran, 7:30 a.m.
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Sunday, Dec. 12
> PresentationsSanta, Thunderbird Mall, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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No events scheduled

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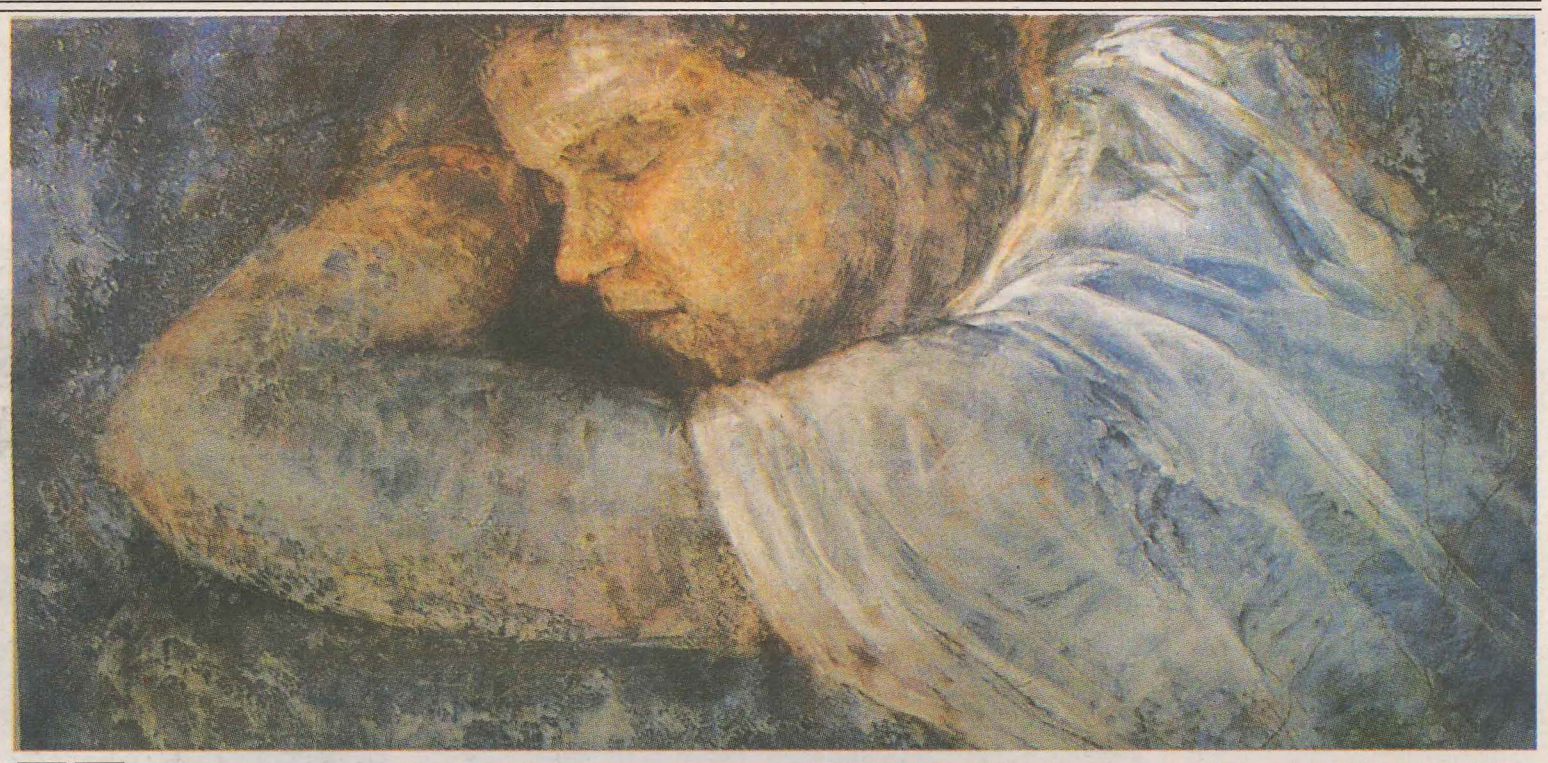

Human art

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

The human figure and all of its intricacies, divots and potholes has been the subject of art for thousands of years. It is also the main focus of the Senior Show Exhibit: Embodied.

The show, which opened Monday, Dec. 6, showcases the artwork of Laura Sperl, Cristina Ayala and Roland Krager. All of the work in the show deals with the human form in one way or another but all three artists have found very different ways to address it.

Laura Sperl's work consists of several paintings and three monotypes. Her artist statement says that her work "seeks to illustrate the relationship between one in need and one who provides."

This quality is very clear in both the titles of her art and the art itself. In her painting, "The Veil is Lifted," the art employs a dark palette of color along with varying brushstrokes and linear elements added through the use of pastel. The expression on the woman's face is of contentment and enlightenment.

The dark figure situated within her dark environment conveys these qualities that help the viewer to be very comfortable with the work. It invites you in for closer inspection of Laura's intimate use of paint and pastel. Even given the dark tones and appearance of the paintings and prints, it is easy to find a calm in Laura's work.

My only criticism of Laura's portion of the show resides within her artist statement. Laura is a very good writer; that I do not question. What I am questioning is the last paragraph where she goes on for a period of time about her relationship with God.

Sperl is very religious in nature and this shines through in her paintings and prints. With titles such as Forgiven #1, All Strength is Borrowed, and Lying in His Arms, this quality is easily observed and not unwelcome. Through viewing the works it becomes obvious where her inspiration comes from.

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

(top) This is one of several pieces by Laura Sperl, who used pastels to create images of human bodies. (above) This is the work of Cristina Ayala, made of three screen printed layers of plexi glass and silk.

I find fault with the last paragraph of the artist statement because it does not need to be present. Sperl's work stands well on its own and does not necessitate such help. It already speaks of her love for God in an honest and approachable manner.

If Sperl could be considered to represent God's love and humanity's interaction with it, then

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Choir concert has fans on their feet

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

Last Sunday, an audience of both young and old gathered together to hear songs put on by the choirs of the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

This annual Holiday Choral Concert featured Dr. Patrick Liebergen as director of both the Symphonic Singers (SS) and the Vocal Jazz (VJ) with Joy Becker as pianist. The concert was held at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church for free. Everyone was welcome to attend.

pictures submitted by Dr. Patrick Liebergen

Tim Bankole, a UW-Stout student who spent most of his life in Africa, played the conga for a trial run of the song, "Hope for a Resolution."

The choir began with the men of the SS singing "Puer Natus in Bethlehem," a Gregorian Chant, from the balcony. The men then walked from the balcony to the back of the church.

This is when Pam Hartlaub and Chris Forster played a trumpet duet and the SS sang part of "Personent Hodie" arranged by Lara Hoggard. The men walked on stage, and one verse later, the women joined them to finish.

The choir then sang "Angel's Carol" arranged by John Rutter. Next, Johann Sebastian Bach's arrangement of "Sicut Locutus Est" from Magnificat was sung in 5-part harmony. "Hope for Resolution," arranged by Paul Caldwell and Sean Ivory, was

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Concert preview: entertain yourself

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Winter break is upon us and with all of the stress of finals hitting college students like a snowstorm in June, a month of free days and endless nights is welcome campus-wide.

While enjoying the break, you might want to watch for some of the major events coming to town.

Coming to town shortly is Sister Hazel. The world renowned band will be playing at the Fine Line Music Cafe in Minneapolis, Minn, on Dec. 15.

Tickets will be sold until the day of the concert. The performance starts at 7 p.m. Ticket cost is $38-$40 for table seating and $18-$20 for general admission, with no guarantee of seating.

Those who live in Minnesota and western Wisconsin have a variety of concert options in the Twin Cities. On Jan. 11, David Bowie is visiting the Target Center in Minneapolis, Minn, for an all out concert starting at 7:30 p.m.

Bowie will be singing songs from his new album, Reality, as well as some older classics that have made him the star he is. Tickets are not yet on sale.

For those of you who enjoy music that has a little more edge, you may want to check out Hoobastank. They are appearing in Minnesota on Dec. 20 at the Quest, in Minneapolis. Hoobastank will be singing songs from their latest CD.

The doors open at 5 p.m., and the opening act will take the stage around 6 p.m. Tickets cost $22 and admission is open to all ages. There are only general admission and standing spaces available.

If you're looking for a swinging good time, I recommend checking out the Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's on Jan. 1. The guys who are looking to get you dancing will be performing at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts in Milwaukee, Wis.

Their show starts at 8 p.m., and ticket prices range from $20 to $83 for the best seats.

The tickets for this concert can be bought online at the Marcus Center box office as well as in person. They will be playing in the Uihlien Hall together with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra.

One classic show that will never be uncool is Sesame Street Live. That's right, and they're coming to Minnesota on Jan. 19.

Don't worry if you don't already have tickets, though. The show runs from Jan. 19 to Jan. 23, and there will be ten show dates.

The show is entitled, "Elmo's Coloring Book," and doors open at 6 p.m. on opening night, while the show begins at 7 p.m. Tickets range from $12 to $26 for premium seating, but the best part is that opening night all tickets are only $10.

Shows will be held at the Target Center in Minneapolis, Minn., and tickets can be bought at the Target Center box office starting at 10 a.m. on Dec. 11.

Are you ready for some comedy action? Larry the Cable Guy, a famous part of the Blue Collar Comedy tour, is ready to git 'er done in Minneapolis.

Larry will be performing in the Orpheum Theatre beginning Feb. 25. Tickets are already on sale and cost $42.25 per seat on the floor or for balcony seats. It's a great present to give for Christmas and enjoy during February.

There will be two shows on opening night, the first at 7 p.m. and the second at 10 p.m., and the following night there will be two more shows, starting at 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., respectively.

For more information on other upcoming events and ticket sales for these and other shows, go online to http://www.ticketmaster.com

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Roland Krager is just the opposite. Krager has put forth a body of work that, to call it homoerotic, would be treating it modestly.

In his artist statement Krager says, "These paintings are intended to raise questions about pleasure, pain, sex, abuse, gender roles, homophobia, etc." While a viewer could be expecting to see black leather, whips and views of the obscene, this does not happen.

Krager employs the color palette of many of the "past masters" of painting. The colors are muted and constrained, and often end up dissolving the figure into the background of the work. This is when Krager is at his strongest. Instead of showing the whole figure, he plays with its relationship to the rest of the canvas and colors around it. More so than when he seems to simply be presenting the figure.

Like Sperl's work, Krager's work has a quality that draws one in for closer inspection.

The first thing that you will notice is piercing needles perforate the surface of all the paintings (which all bear the subject of the male). This itself speaks of the artist's relationship with his work. By marring his works in this manner he is speaking directly about sex and specifically, male-homosexual sex and his interpretation of it.

The last body of work in the show belongs to the talented hands of Cristina Ayala.

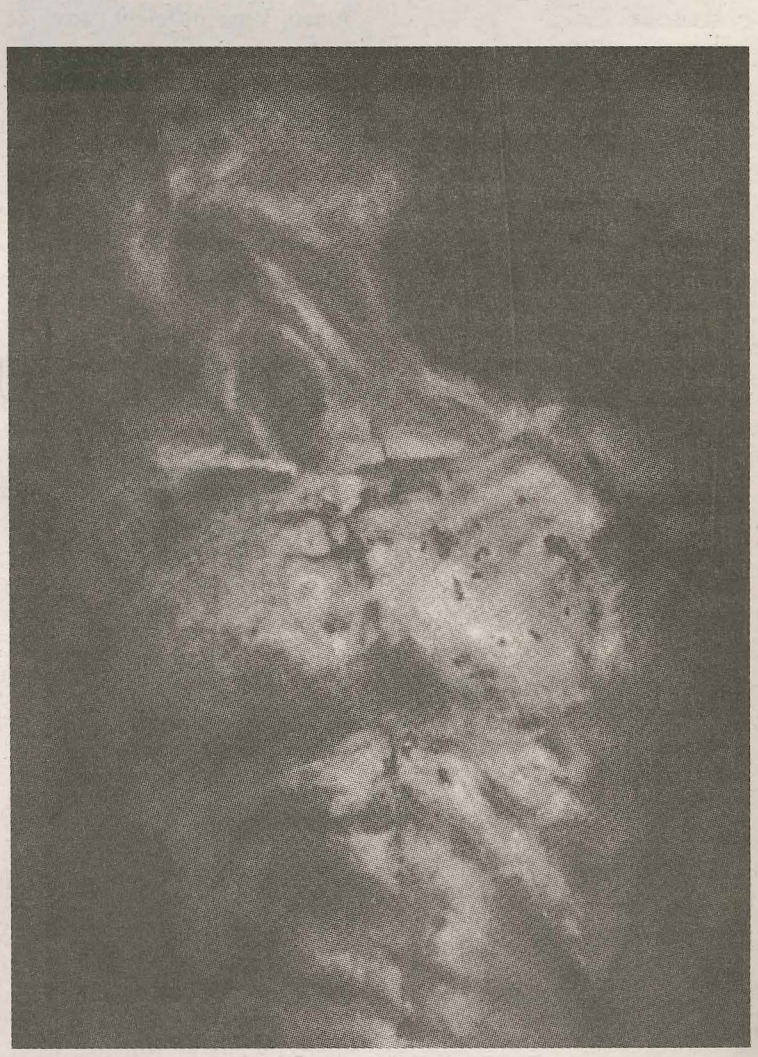
Without reading her artist statement it's very clear that she is inspired by the economy of Henri Matisse. Her use of the figure and various elements within her compositions reflect this economy by illustrating only what is necessary to complete the intent of the work.

Her main effort in the show is a four-part narrative, which involves four separate works bearing the titles Scene 1, Scene 2, Scene 3 and Scene 4. These pieces are some of the most ambitious work I have seen in the student gallery in quite some time.

They exist as layers of textiles and plexiglass suspended from the ceiling and utilize a serigraphy process to create the images. Each scene is part of a chronology about the relationships we all invest in; the "silent narrative between two people."

The various layers ebb and flow with the air currents in the space around them to create a living, moving exhibition. Even the viewer's breath affects the fragile layers of cloth and creates a different experience for everyone who views it. This dynamic quality actually involves the viewer within the narrative.

The last day the show will be open is Friday, Dec. 10 and a public reception will be held on Thursday Dec. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. On behalf of the artists, everyone is invited to attend



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(above) This is one of the pieces from Roland Krager's senior show. His blunt perspective on homosexuality creates a raw emotion within the viewer. (left) Laura Sperl uses her art to reflect her deeply rooted religous views.

CHOIR / *musical variety and style*

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performed with Katie Leong on flute and Oluwaturoti (Tim) Bankole on conga.

"Tim Bankole was born and raised most of his life in Africa," said Liebergen.

"He played the conga in "Hope for Resolution," a piece which brings together a Christmas chant with an African song."

Next, the SS men sang "We Three Kings," arranged by Andy Beck, and "Stouthearted Men" by Sigmund Romberg, arranged by Walter Scotson.

Mark Hayes' arrangement of "Battle Hymn of the Republic" was sung last by the SS, with Michael Cawcutt on drums and Justin Olson on bass guitar.

The VJ then took the stage after a brief intermission, with Ryan Peterson on drums and Delaine Toppings on bass guitar for all songs. The group of 12 began with "Christmas is the Best Time of the Year" arranged by Don and Lori Marsh.

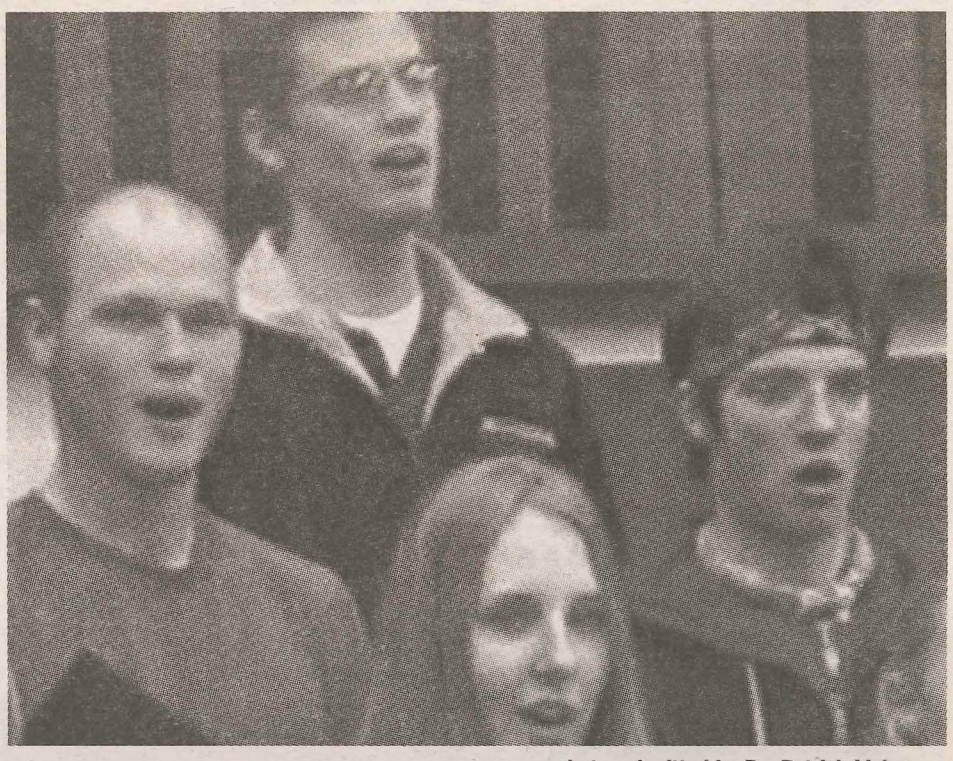
The following song, "It Don't Mean a Thing If It Ain't Got That Swing" arranged by Mac Huff, featured a solo by Allan Doyle, singing scat above the VJ choir.

The popular song, "The Gift," by Jim Brickman and Tom Douglas, arranged by Tina Chinn, was sung with solos by Beth Sabelko and Jeremy Day. The crowd was pleased when VJ jumped into "Swinging with Santa Claus," arranged by Mac Huff.

To close VJ's portion of the concert, they sang "For Once in My Life" by Orlando Murden and arranged by Kirby Shaw, featuring Jeremy Day with another solo.

Both choirs joined to sing "A Wreath of Carols," arranged by Greg Gilpin. They also sang "Hallelujah," by George F. Handel. The entire audience even stood up for this song because it is a tradition to stand when this song is sung in church.

To bring the night to a close, "Peace, Peace" by Rick and Sylvia Powell was sung with a group of singers singing "Silent Night" over the rest of the choir.



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UW-Stout choir students practiced most of this semester to perform at the holiday concert. They will also present a concert this spring, during Family Weekend.

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1	1	802 6th Av #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	All Util included,great location	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #1	$260	$260	n/a	n/a	WSG+HotWater Inc. Storage, location,n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #3	$330	$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
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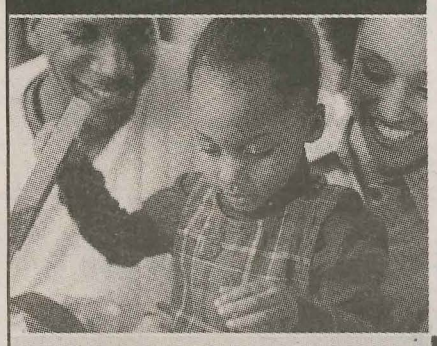

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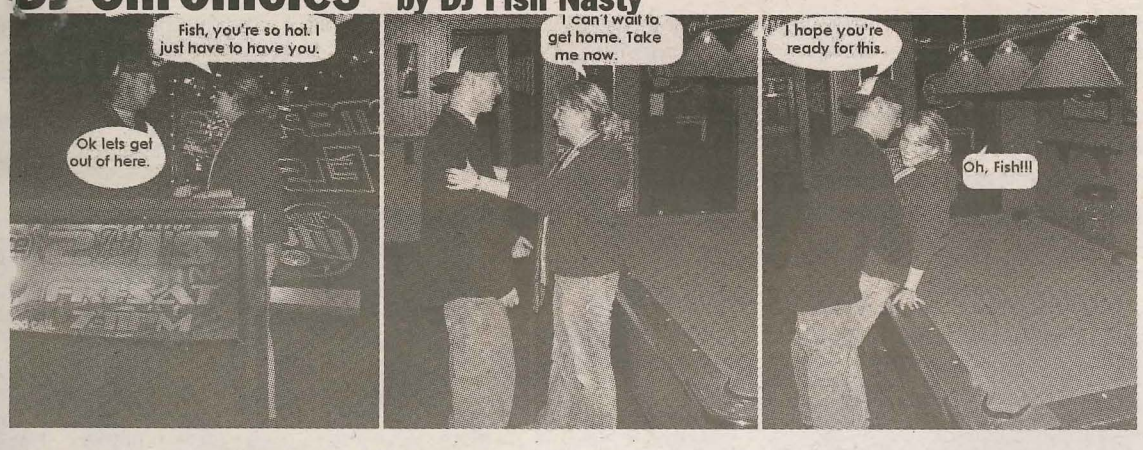

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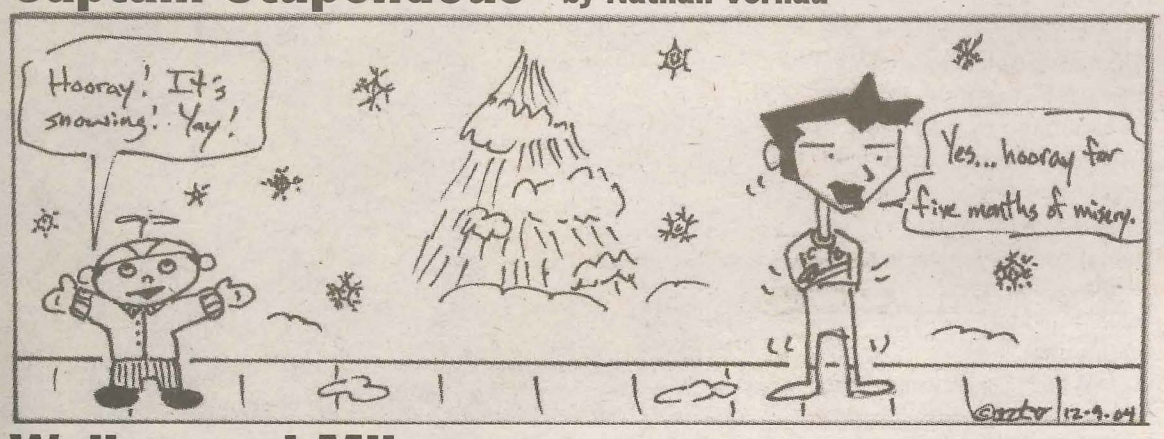

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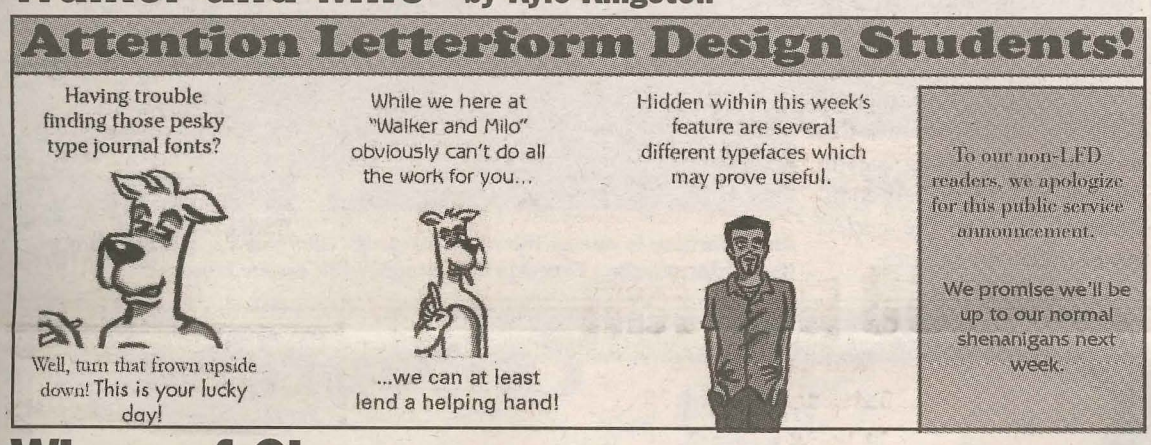

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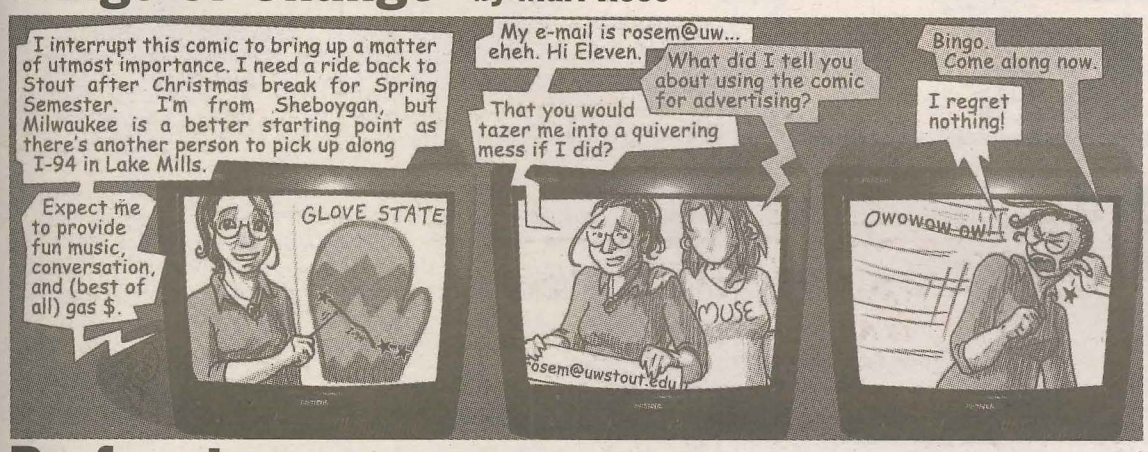

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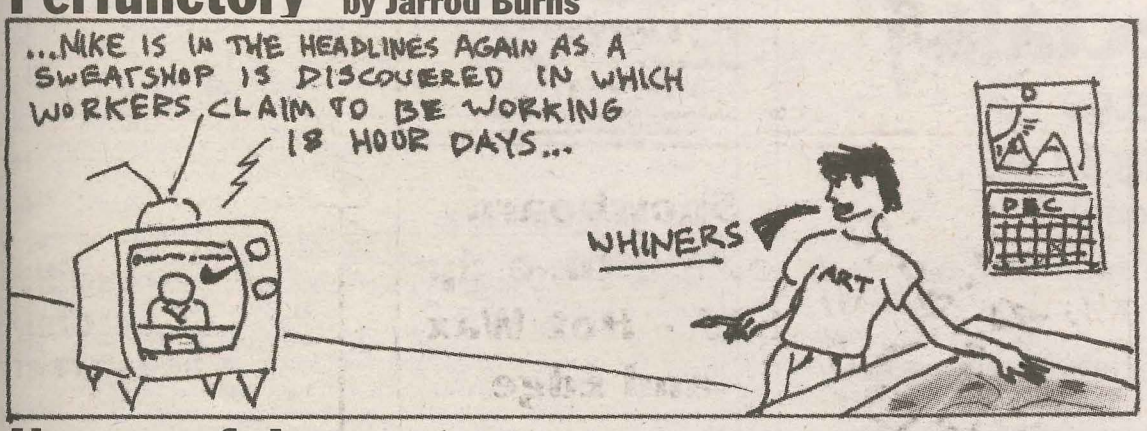

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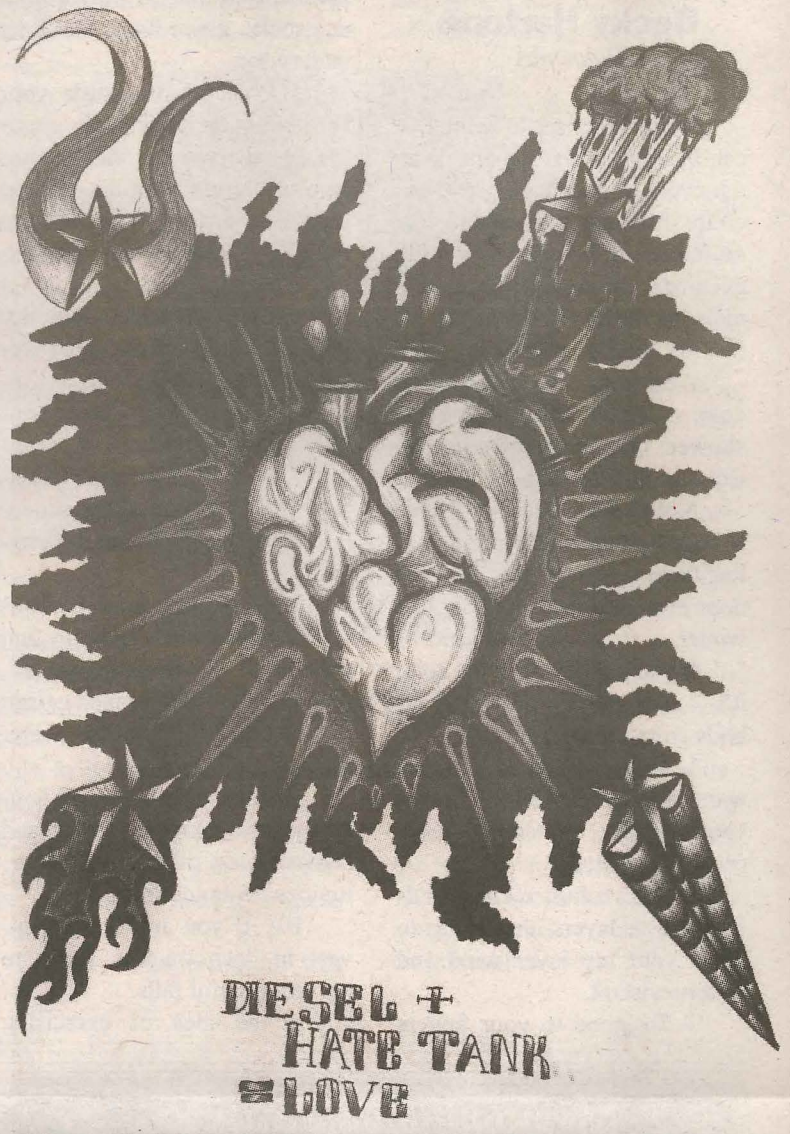

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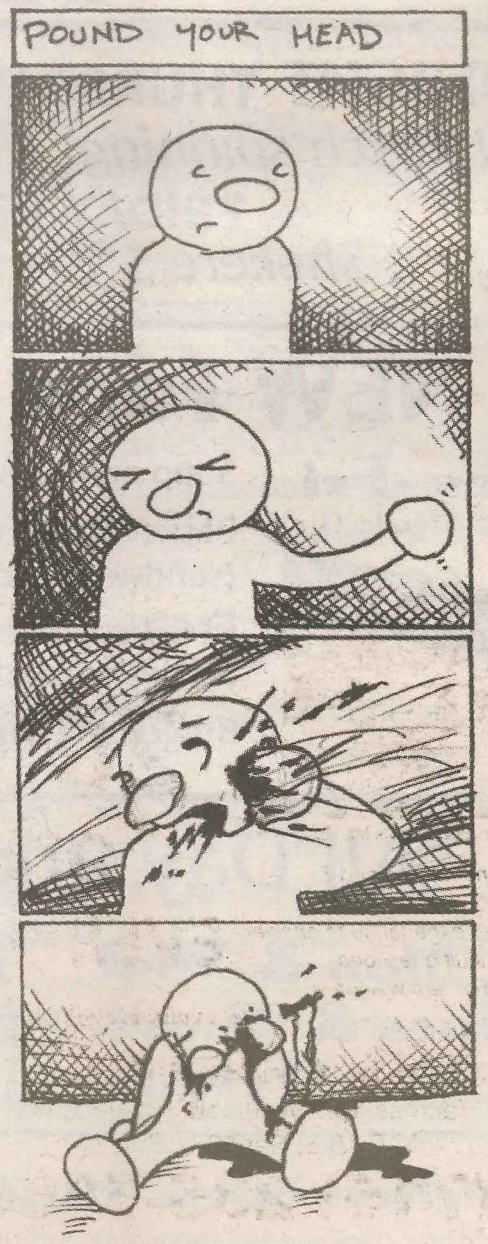


Stay active instead of hibernating

Becky Hartung
Columnist

With the onset of winter, it can be easy to get caught up in the cycle of poor eating and exercise. Candies and desserts pile on unwanted pounds, and chilly evenings prolonged in darkness make us hesitate to make the effort to exercise.

According to thyroid-info.com, a poll of 5,000 people showed that 30 percent fail to exercise during winter.

Not to fear, you don't have to be one of the hibernators. Follow these tips for indoor and outdoor exercise to stay healthy this winter.

If you dare to brave the cold, it's important to protect your body from the elements.

1. Make sure to do a proper warm up; cold weather makes your muscles tighter and more prone to injuries.

2. Active.com recommends dressing in layers and trying to make your top layer wind and water-resistant.

3. Be good to your fingers and toes; they're the least insulated and the furthest points from your heart.

4. Remember: cotton doesn't retain heat and remains wet after absorbing moisture, so consider investing in silk or polypropylene socks, glove liners and long underwear.

5. When you finish your work out, let your body acclimate to the warmer indoor temperature before stripping off your layers. If you lose body heat too rapidly, you could suffer post exercise hypothermia.

6. Stay hydrated. Cold, dry air causes you to lose more water than you would with a typical summer workout. Keep your body full with fluids.

7. Don't fall for the temptation of a warm cup of hot chocolate or coffee; caffeine is dehydrating.

8. Replenish your electrolytes (potassium, sodium and calcium). Fineliving.com recommends putting a pinch of salt in an orange juice and water mixture.

9. Take advantage of winter sports. Skiing, skating and snowshoeing offer great opportunities for outdoor fun.

10. If you are running, invest in deep traction shoes to prevent painful falls.

If the idea of exercising outdoors during winter dosn't leave you with a warm fuzzy feeling, don't sweat it; there are plenty of ways to exercise and avoid the cold air.

1. If you're a walker, consider moving your routine to a treadmill, indoor track or mall.

2. Cyclists can ride an indoor, stationary bike or may like a spinning class.

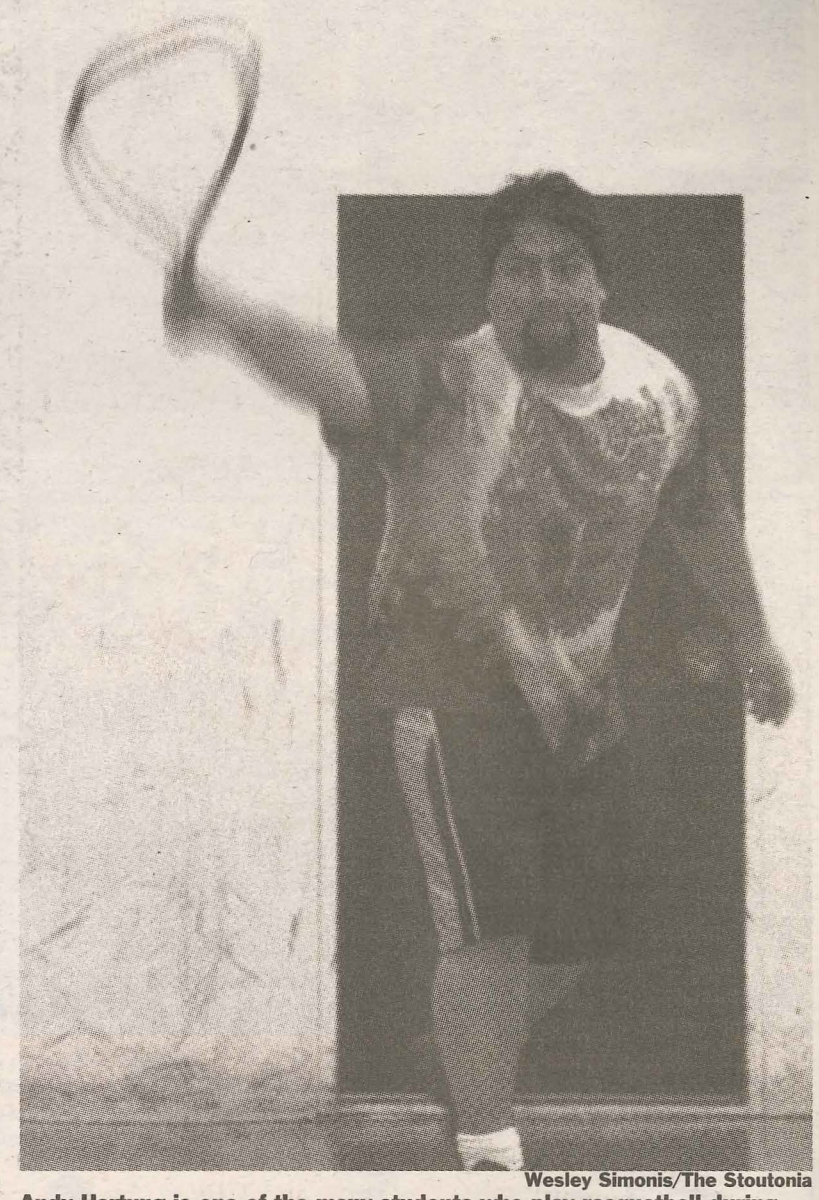
3. Try something new – don't hesitate to check out ballroom dancing, racquetball or indoor soccer.

4. Visit your local library. Doing the same workout video can get boring fast. Spice up your routine by checking out a different workout tape each week.

5. Go for a dip. Swimming, water aerobics and Osteofit offer great workouts without adding extra stress to your joints.

While exercising may seem like an extra hassle, you'll thank yourself in the long run. Besides helping retain your health, you may also boost your mood.

Exercising will provide a break in your daily routine that will leave you feeling accomplished and more self-confident. It may be the perfect cure for the winter blues.



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Andy Hartung is one of the many students who play racquetball during the winter months. Exercise can conquer the winter blues.

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Snowboard / *conquering mountains*

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race. Members can compete in both ski and snowboard divisions and the competition is split into male and female categories.

Anyone is welcome to join the team, with no experience necessary. Participants need to bring their own equipment or rent from the ski sites. Alumni members come to practices and help coach anyone who is looking for pointers. The team is always excited to introduce new people to the sport of skiing or snowboarding.

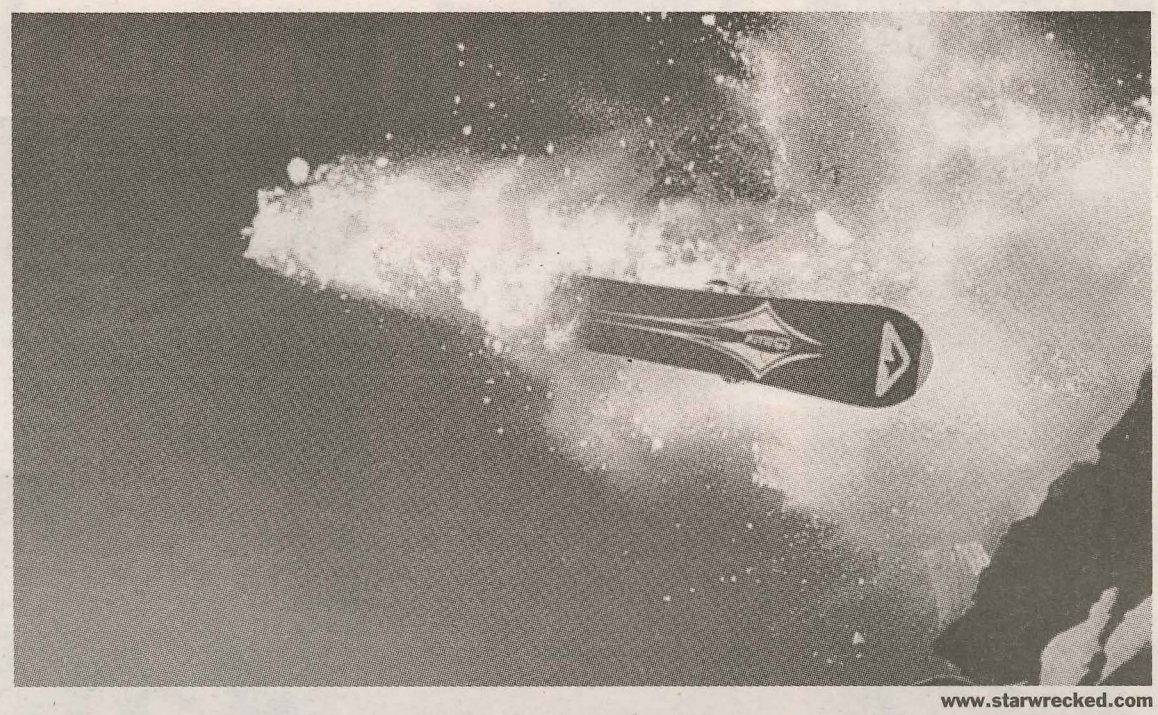
"Being on the team is a great way to meet new people," said Brian Filkins, a construction management major and the club president. "It's also a great way to travel the Midwest and visit other ski hills."

While skiing and snowboarding can be expensive hobbies for a college student, club dues are only $40 and come with a big discount off of season passes at Afton Alps.

Team members also carpool to Afton Alps for each practice, which cuts down on travel expenses. Club members have the option to take two recreational trips per year, with most of the costs covered by the club.

Anyone interested in competing can pay an additional $35 to be on the competitive team. The extra money covers registration fees and lift tickets for competitions.

The team has also been looking into starting a half-pipe or freestyle team, if the interest is high. Anyone interested in starting a freestyle team is welcome to contact the team or attend a meeting.



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The ski and snowboard club encourages anyone interested in joining the club to attend an informational meeting on Dec. 13. No previous experience is required to be in the club.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

It is safe to say that freshman goalie Mike Stone had a busy weekend in the net for the Blue Devil hockey team.

Stone went into the net late in first period when the Blue Devils found themselves in a 4-3 dogfight with the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Stone answered the call, stopping 25 shots and only allowing one goal as the Blue Devils held on to a 5-5 tie with the Pointers.

When the Blue Devils faced the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Stone remained tough in the net, accumulating 31 saves in the contest and only allowing two goals. The Blue Devil offense scored twice for their second consecutive tie.

The two ties bring the Blue Devil's record to 7-3-3 on the season with a record of 0-0-2 in the conference.

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Had 56 saves in two conference games earning two ties for the Blue Devils.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Hockey
(7-3-3)

The hockey team tied Stevens Point 5-5 on Dec. 3 and tied Eau Claire 2-2 on Dec. 4

Next Game:
Dec. 10 at River Falls

Men's Basketball
(4-2)

The men's basketball team beat La Crosse 63-60 on Dec. 7

Key Performers
Brian Buck 10 pts
Adam Chandler 10 pts
Jacob Nonemacher 10 reb.

Next Game:
Dec. 11 at Stevens Point

WIAC Standings
1. Stevens Point
2. Stout
3. Oshkosh
4. Platteville
5. Eau Claire
6. Superior
7. River Falls
8. La Crosse
9. Whitewater

Women's Basketball
(6-2)

The Lady Blue Devils downed La Crosse 67-57 on Dec. 8

Next Game:
Dec. 11 at Stevens Point

Lighting up the scoreboard

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

With the season underway for both of the University of Wisconsin-Stout basketball teams, each are off to a solid start.

The men's basketball team is 4-2 so far and has won all three conference games, including a 63-60 win over the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse on Dec. 7.

The perfect record in the conference makes the Blue Devils a contender early in the season, and if the team keeps the pressure on, they will remain a tough competitor for the remainder of the season.

In the most recent victory over UW-La Crosse, the Blue Devils kept a balanced offensive attack. Ten different players contributed scoring, and Adam Chandler and Brian Buck led the team scoring ten points apiece.

Defense also played a key role in the victory over the Eagles. Jacob Nonemacher pulled down ten rebounds and two blocks for the Blue Devils.

The victory over the Eagles holds a lot more meaning than a top spot in the conference. It is the first time since the 1986-87 season that the Blue Devils have opened the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference play with a record of 3-0.

"We try to get ten guys out on the court for double minutes every game," said men's head coach Ed Andrist. "We really don't have a 'go to guy', and anyone out there can have a good night."

On Tuesday, Nov. 30, UW-Stout hosted local rival the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. The Blue Devils stomped the Falcons 83-43. The win set the pace early on for the Blue Devils.

On the women's side, things are still looking good for the Lady Blue Devils despite two tough conference losses.

The season started strong, opening the season with a 5-0 record, but the team dropped games to the University of Wisconsin-River Falls and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

The Lady Blue Devils were in need of a conference win, and their chance came when they faced the UW-La Crosse on Dec. 8.

The team spread the wealth and came up with their first conference win of the season, defeating the Eagles 67-57. Nine different players put points on the board as UW-Stout shot 43 percent from the field, and knocked down 6 of 11 three pointers.

Kelsey Duoss led the Lady Blue Devils in scoring with 16 points and five blocked shots, while Savanah Oeltjen added 13 points.

The win not only brings the Lady Blue Devils record to 6-2, but it also marks the 18th consecutive victory over UW-La Crosse.

In conference competition the Lady Blue Devils will need to stay on the winning pace in order to be a conference contender.

In the two conference losses the team made costly mistakes but appeared to have corrected them in the win over the Eagles.

Last Saturday when UW-Stout traveled to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater the team could not get all the cylinders going against a strong Warhawk team.

The Lady Blue Devils never took the lead during the game, and many fouls were committed by both teams.

UW-Stout had 25 turnovers and committed 28 fouls. The Warhawks played even sloppier, posting 33 fouls and 30 turnovers.

The Lady Blue Devils struggled at the free throw line as well, only making 16-of-31 as the Warhawks were 30-of-36 from the line. It resulted in a 87-66 loss.

Overall, both teams have come off impressive wins. The season will be full of pivotal games that neither team can afford to lose.

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Jacob Nonemacher looks looks for an opening against UW-La Crosse. The Blue Devils have opened the conference season with 3-0 record. It is the first time since 1986 that the team has started that well.

Keep winter from being snow boring

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

For students sticking around for winterm or Christmas break, the weekends can get kind of quiet and quite long. Joining the ski and snowboard club is an alternative to keep students active through the long, cold, winter weekends.

The ski and snowboard club will be starting practices for the season on Saturday, Jan. 8. The team practices every week and has competitions every weekend through Feb.18. Anyone is welcome to join, with no pressure to compete.

"I enjoy being on the ski team because it has such a laid-back atmosphere," said Dan Warren, an engineering technology major. "There is no pressure to compete, and everyone is just skiing to have fun."

The team currently has around 40 members. They practice at Afton Alps, which is located near Hastings, Minn. Competitions take place around the Midwest each weekend of the season.

Currently, members have the option of competing in either a slalom category or a giant slalom category (GS). Both are traditional ski races. The slalom course have single gates that are closer together, requiring tighter turns.

The GS race has double gates that are further apart, making for wider turns and a faster

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The UW-Stout ski and snowboard club will begin practices on Jan. 8. Snowboarding and Skiing are a good way to stay active.

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Students to graduate this Saturday

By Taylor Thompson
News Writer

As the end of December approaches, many of us look forward to a holiday break. But for a few University of Wisconsin-Stout students, a new chapter of their life is about to begin.

Graduates may have mixed feelings as the day approaches. Most agree that they are ready to move on, but are hesitant about what lies ahead. For some, this is the end of their education and the start of full-time work and their ultimate goal. Others are pursuing master's degrees and continuing their education.

"There are so many opportunities to explore, and college is the first," said Kari Fencl, a senior in family and consumer science. Fencl admits that she is ready to leave and have new adventures. "It's the foundation for the future."

After attending UW-Stout four and a half years, Fencl is awaiting a permanent position at Lincoln High School in Alma Center, Wi., to achieve her goal of becoming a teacher.

Others are a little more nervous about leaving what has been their home for last several years.

"My experience at Stout has been amazing," said Pam Gundrum, a senior in dietetics. "I've had ups and downs like any student, and there were times I was unsure about my decision. But now I'm so thankful for my opportunity and to finally be graduating," added Gundrum. "I've become the person I am today because of my time at Stout, and it's sad to leave."

Gundrum originally planned on graduating in four years, but with athletics, residence hall involvement and studying abroad, four and a half worked out better.

"I value involvement as much as academics, so taking it a little slower was the best plan for me." Gundrum will pursue a master's degree in public health upon graduation.

"Don't take your college years for granted," said Gundrum. "Take your time, and make sure you're pursuing the right thing."

Commencement exercises will be held in Johnson Fieldhouse on Saturday, Dec. 18th.

579 Grads

Commencement on Saturday will graduate 579 students

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

On Saturday, Dec. 18, the University of Wisconsin-Stout will graduate over 850 students in undergraduate, graduate and educational specialist degrees.

Graduates receiving their diploma after the fall 2004 semester are listed in alphabetical order. They are: Cynthia Adams, Sarah Addante, Barry Adler, Angela Ahrens, Jason Albers, Joseph Alf, James Allison, Waseem Al-Zahofi, Britta Anderson, Kassandra Anderson, Stephanie Anderson, Tricia Anderson, Wendy Angus, Stacey Armitage, Elizabeth Arndt, Stephanie Arneberg, Cristina Ayala, Derek Ayd, Elizabeth Bailey, Tina Balsiger, Becky Banker, Susan Bares, Leslie Barkin, Casey Barnes, Amanda Barthel, Courtney Barthels, Kami Bartingale, David Bauer, Michelle Bauer, Kara Baumgarten, Luis Bautista, Stephanie Bebeau, Renee Beda, Angela Bejblik, Rachel Berg, Shawna Bergeson, Eric Bernecker, Sharon Bessinger, Nancy Betzold, Bethany Bilderback, Michelle Bills, Nathan Birchler, Amber Birner, Christopher Blasko, Jennifer Bloom, Edward Boldt, Emily Bollensen, Jennifer Bombardo, Kimberly Borchardt, Lindsay Born, Douglas Borre, Beau Bradley, Erin Bradley, Erica Brenner, Angela Brinkhaus, Matthew Bronner, James Brooks, Aimee Budleski, Melanie Buhl, Katie Burdick, Starr Busse, Erin Butler, Waylon Butler, Christopher Campbell, Erik Carlson, Renee Carlson, Jill Cascarano, Laura Casey, Mary Castaneda, Sonnet Catlin, Michael-George Cawcutt, Javier Centeno, Eric Chamberlain, Nancy Chapko, Ryan Chase, Hun Choi, Jongsawas Chongwatpol, Maren Christensen, Christopher Clark, Diana Clausen, Jennifer Clemins, Kyle Clemins, Erin Coates, Kristine Coffin, Gershia Coggs, Julie Conover, Laura Corman, Mora Croarkin, Sandy Croke, Chasen Crowson, Michelle Cummings, Charles Dahl, Lorrie Dahlen, Nicholas Danczyk, Nancy Danielewicz, Matt Daniels, Jason Danielsen, Courtney Danielson, Sara Davis, Steven Day, Patrick Dean, Trevor DeLong, David Demore, Matt Denison, Scott DePorter, Todd Dexheimer, Krista Dignan, Bobbi Dingel, Kathryn Dix, Jennifer Donaldson, Heidi Dow, Jeremy Drake, Kathy Ducaine, Jeanette Duffy, Christopher Dunn, Mary Durand, Michael Ebben, Will Eckhoff, Eric Eggen, Kathy Eggert, Brandon Ellefson, Ryan Eller, Leah Elsner, John Englund, Megan Erickson, Kristin Esser, Michael Esty, Dennis Evert, Nicolas Falde, Luke Fedie, Bethany Felmlee, Aaron Felt, Tom Felton, Kari Fencl, Courtney Fenner, Jennifer Feske, Rita Fitzsimons, Tyler Fleig, Melissa Flicek, Braden Foley, Scott Ford, Kenneth Fournier, Robert France, Luke Franke, Benjamin Franske, Jacquelyn Fredrickson, Isaac Freeman, Eloise Frey, Amy Frost, Marc Fry, Robert Fulton, Julie Funk, Jennifer Gabler, Dana Gaertner, Kelly Garcia, Alberto Garcia Cipolletti, Mari Garrison, Ashebir Gebre, Trisha Gee, Lisa Geist, Renee George, Laura Giede, Moriah Gilbert, Kyle Gilbertson, John Gleason, Julie Goetzke, Donna Goodlaxson, Michele Grage, Adam Grams, Daniel Grandt, Michelle Gray, Luke Greene, Clinton Greenebaum, Megan Greenland, Rustin Greenstreet, Dawn Griffin, Jeanette Grochowski, Megan Gruner, William Gryzik, Pamela Gundrum, Ronald Hagen, Sylvia Haggerty, William Halbach, Daniel Halberg, Jessica Hall, Dallas Hamann, Kelly Hane, Matthew Harambasic, Matthew Hartel, Matthew Hartenstein, Mandy Hartwig, Tanille Hartwig, Jacob Haskell, Jason Haugerud, David Hay, Craig Haydock, Sara Heeg, Nicole Helke, Delores Henderson-Olson, Chelsea Henning, Leah Henschel, Dalynn Herrington, Tiffany Hetzel, Shannon Hintzman, Greta Hittner, Scott Hockers, Matthew Hoeft, Sean Hoke, Richard Holan, Kris Holle, Mark Holtan, Brooke Holubets, Dustin Honold, Shannon Hopf, Nicole Horst, Katherine Hosley, Carly House, James Hubbard, Kevin Hulke, Jessica Husmoen, Bridget Isaacson, Eric Iverson, Steven Iverson, Julie Jackson, Michael Jaeckel, Andrew Jahns, Andrew Jasicki, Sarah Jenne, Kelly Jewell, Jessica Johnholtz, Eric Johnson, Michael Johnson, Michelle Johnson, Peter Johnson, Phillip Johnson, Jennifer Johnston, Anthony Kaanta, Stacy Kalis, Michelle

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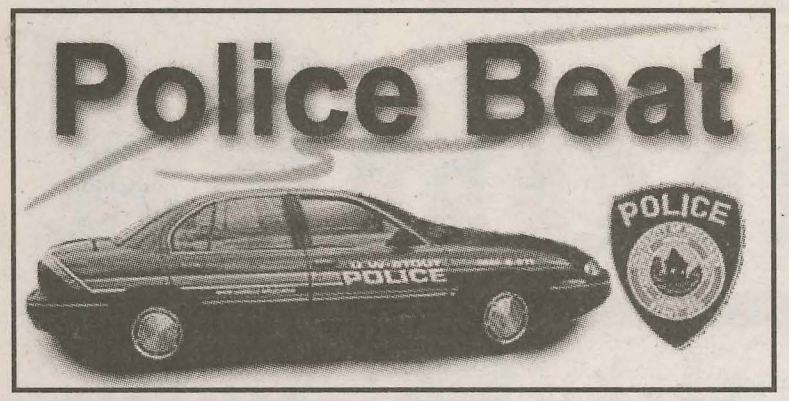

By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Citations for the week of Dec. 7 to Dec. 13
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Sponges Don't Bounce
A building maintenance worker and two police officers freed SpongeBob SquarePants from Harvey Hall on Dec. 7. SpongeBob was bound to Harvey Hall by four points with string. The officers reported that SpongeBob was questioned as to how he got there; he chose to remain silent, although it is speculated the assailants used the fire escape. SpongeBob was deflated and lowered from the roof. About 20 feet into the descent, the rope broke and SpongeBob hit the ground with a thud. The officers reported, "He [Sponge Bob] did not bounce like a normal sponge," leading the officer to believe that his ego had been deflated during the ordeal. SpongeBob was returned to Burger King.

The Panty Thief is Back
On Dec. 7, police were notified of female underwear theft in Fleming Hall. The underwear was taken from the laundry room. The police advised the Hall Director to notify residents to keep an eye out for future problems.

Renegade Car
In a regular patrol of Lot 30, on Dec. 9, an officer noticed that a car had rolled out of the parking stall it was occupying. The car struck another car, but no damage was caused to either vehicle. The owners of the vehicles were notified of the incident. No complaints have been filed.

Missing Projector
Police were notified that someone removed a projector from the Harvey Hall theatre between 10 a.m. Dec. 12 and 8:45 a.m. Dec. 13. It is unknown if the theatre was locked. A custodian reported that the west entrance was open when he arrived at 5:30 a.m. There did not appear to be forced entry. The projector is valued at $3,000.

Missing Poker Chips
A student at Hovlid Hall reported to police on Dec. 13 that his poker chips were missing. When the student returned to his room on Sunday, he saw cheese on top of the fridge and noticed that the poker chips were missing. The individual's roommate told the student that he was sleeping on Saturday when he heard people in the room and that he could not really see them as it was late and dark. The roommate asked the people what they were doing and they responded, "We are getting some cheese." The roommate just went back to sleep. The roommate figured they were friends of the complainant's. Nothing else appears to be missing. The poker chips are valued at $110.

UW-EC student receives Rhodes

EAU CLAIRE — Chauncy S. Harris Jr., a senior at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, is one of 32 Americans chosen as 2005 Rhodes Scholars. Harris, a geography and history major, is the first Rhodes Scholar to be elected from UW-Eau Claire.

"I was very calm and at peace with the whole process," Harris said of his reaction to being elected. "I don't see myself as an extraordinary person, but I'm motivated to do more than some of my peers. It's a love of life and a love of learning that drives me to do things."

Harris, a native of Eau Claire and a 1999 graduate of Memorial High School, has won numerous academic awards, is a leader in multiple campus organizations, is an Eagle Scout, and served as a missionary in the Mediterranean for two years, an experience that he describes as "the greatest time of my life."

"I'm thrilled that a UW-Eau Claire student is among those elected to be a Rhodes Scholar," Chancellor Donald Mash said. "It's a highly competitive process involving exceptional students from prestigious universities throughout the country. This is a wonderful recognition for Chauncy and for UW-Eau Claire."

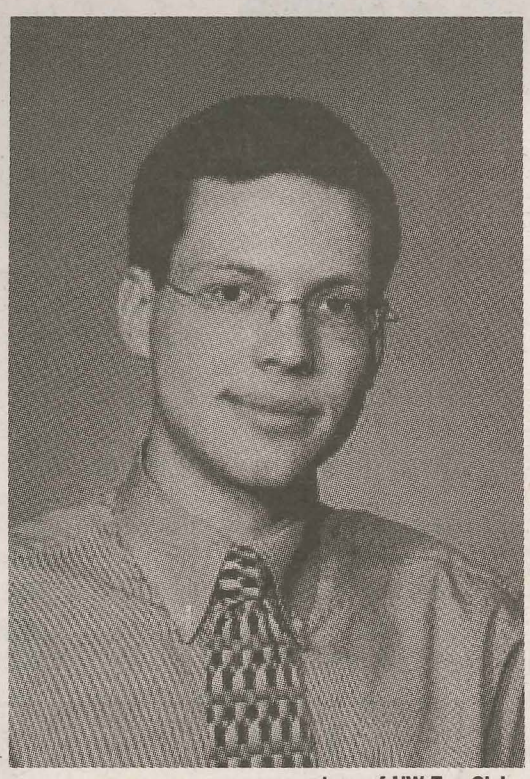
Harris, 23, who plans to graduate in August 2005, is involved in numerous campus organizations, serving in leadership positions in many of them. He's currently the president of the Golden Key International Honour Society, the Mortar Board and Phi Alpha Theta History Honors Society.

The Rhodes Scholars were chosen from 904 applicants, who were endorsed by 341 colleges and universities. Rhodes Scholarships provide two or three years of study at the University of Oxford in England. Harris will enter Oxford in October 2005, where he hopes to study Modern Middle Eastern Studies, which he believes is the only program of its kind in the world.

UW-Eau Claire helped prepare him for the Rhodes program and Oxford by providing a strong curriculum, exceptional research opportunities and accessible faculty, Harris said.

"The great relationships I have with faculty helped keep me challenged and allowed me to go beyond the work and experiences that are typical of college," Harris said. "UW-Eau Claire proves that you don't have to pay $50,000 a year to get a great education."

The combination of outstanding faculty and a dynamic living and learning environment is attracting an increasing number of high-achieving students to UW-Eau Claire," Mash said. "This is the kind of place that is very attractive to students who — like Chauncy — want to be highly challenged," he said.


courtesy of UW-Eau Claire
Chauncy S Harris, Jr. has been awarded a Rhodes scholarship, the first student from UW-Eau Claire to recieve the award.

Other 2005 Rhodes Scholars elected from District V — Harris' district — are students or graduates of the California Institute of Technology, the University of Chicago and Harvard.

"The opportunity to study at Oxford is wonderful," Harris said. "But the program is more than that — it's a way to network with great people. I met exceptional people at the state and district competitions, people I'll have personal and professional relationships with in the future. They're outstanding people — people who stand out at prestigious institutions like Harvard."

Harris has long been aware of the Rhodes Scholars program because his great uncle was a Rhodes Scholar in 1934-36. His great uncle, who passed away in December 2003, encouraged him to apply.

"For the last 10 years, he sent me the bios on all the Rhodes Scholars," Harris said of his great uncle. "I really wanted to do this to honor him. My family has a long history of being involved in academics and helping humanity so there was a familial expectation that I would continue that legacy of excellence."

"Chauncy is a remarkable young man," said Thomas Miller, chair of the UW-Eau Claire history department. "He's like many UW-Eau Claire students in that he is an outstanding student who works hard, is creative and analytical. But Chauncy is exceptional because of all he accomplishes beyond academics. He's a leader in a number of organizations, volunteers at the food pantry, organizes community events and does dozens of other things. It's quite impressive."

The Rhodes Scholarships, the oldest of the international study awards available to American students, were created in 1902 by the will of Cecil Rhodes, British philanthropist and colonial pioneer. The first class of American Rhodes Scholars entered Oxford in 1904.

Rhodes Scholars are chosen in a three-stage process. First, candidates are endorsed by their college or university. Committees of Selection in all 50 states then nominate candidates who are interviewed by District Selection Committees in eight regions of the United States.

Applicants are chosen on the basis of the criteria set in the will of Cecil Rhodes. These criteria are high academic achievement, integrity of character, a spirit of unselfishness, respect for others, potential for leadership and physical vigor.

Candidates apply either in the state where they are legal residents or where they have attended college for at least two years. The state selection committees interviewed applicants on Nov. 17 to choose state nominees to appear as finalists before district committees, which met Nov. 20 in eight cities across the country. Each district committee made a selection of four Rhodes Scholars from the nominees of the states within the district. Ninety-six applicants from 59 colleges and universities reached the final stage of the competition.

The 32 Rhodes Scholars chosen from the United States will join an international group of Scholars chosen from 18 other jurisdictions around the world. In addition to the 32 Americans, Scholars are also selected from Australia, Bangladesh, Bermuda, Canada, the nations of the Commonwealth Caribbean, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore, Southern Africa (South Africa plus Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia and Swaziland), Uganda, Zimbabwe and Zambia. Approximately 95 Scholars are selected worldwide each year.

With these latest Scholars, 3,046 Americans have won Rhodes Scholarships, representing 307 colleges and universities. More than 1,800 American Rhodes Scholars are living in all parts of the United States and abroad.

The value of the Rhodes Scholarship varies depending on the academic field, the degree and the Oxford college chosen. The Rhodes Trust pays all college and university fees, provides a stipend to cover necessary expenses while in residence in Oxford, as well as during vacations and transportation to and from England. The total value averages approximately $35,000 per year.

Past Rhodes Scholars include former President Bill Clinton, U.S. Supreme Court justices Byron White and David Souter, singer/songwriter Kris Kristofferson, former presidential candidates Bill Bradley and Wesley Clark, U.S. Senator Russ Feingold and James William Fulbright, creator of the Fulbright Scholarships.

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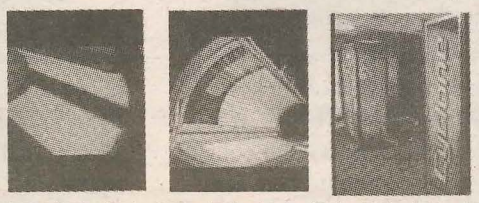
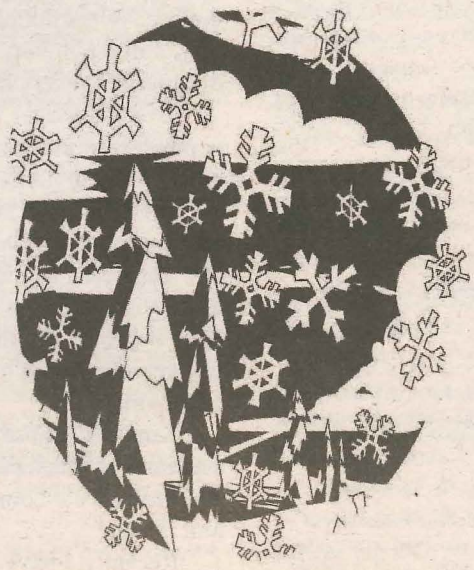


Holiday Cheer

Travel safely for the holidays. Enjoy your time with family and friends.

Best wishes for a joyous season.

Charles W. Sorensen
Chancellor



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Tell everyone college isn't craptacular

The Stoutonia Staff
Staff Editorial

Goodbye.

You've been great, but now it's time to move on.

Return your books, pack your bags and say your farewells.

Savor it.

That's right, folks, before you rush off to start a whole new life, take a moment or two, and just think back to your first days here at UW-If In Doubt.

You had heard all the stories. You knew about everything. High school was tough, but you somehow managed to get through it. You were going to breeze through college. It's just like the movies, after all.

Those first few days on campus were crazy. You probably went to a party. Maybe you had your first experience with drinking. Maybe you were just happy to drink in a town where the cops didn't know you by name.

After your first year you had some great stories to tell. Maybe your grades weren't what they should have been, but you knew there would be plenty of time to get an education. Of course, the hard part was finding the time to squeeze that education into a busy schedule of road trips, partying and watching more cable TV than ever before.

Your second year started and you were really starting to get upset with the professors for saying that you needed to be in class. During the three weeks out of the year that the Menomonie weather wasn't horrible, professors seemed to hold class for the entire period. How dare they!

What is it with the weather in this town? It seems to vary as much day-to-day as it does season-to-season. Overall, the weather was craptacular during the majority of the school year, but it had its moments.

By the way, craptacular is a word as of right now. So when you fail one of your finals, just say you did craptacular.

Year two ended with a major party or was it a really bad final? All you can remember now is that you woke up on the first day of summer feeling like you'd just pulled another all-night.

How fun were those? The all-nighters?

If you never had to pull an all-nighter, you didn't really go to college.

Moving out of the dorms was a big deal for you. Getting that first place with all those cool friends - the same cool friends that would wind up not paying rent. Yeah. Good times.

But living together did give you the chance to play intramurals together. Winning wasn't as important as having a good time, and of course, the party to celebrate how well or craptacular you played.

Being a junior was weird. All of your courses were the type you expected to be taking as a freshman. That's right - program specific courses. Say hello to the wonders of such classes as "Letterform Design" and "Writing Technical Manuals."

Now that you lived off campus, you had to walk farther to get to school, but you drove to class a lot more than you expected anyway (don't deny it), so it wasn't that bad.

Senior year. Whether it was year four, four point five or year five plus, graduation was within your grasp.

So of course you planned a great last Spring Break, or maybe you really enjoyed that last summer. Go ahead. Maybe your folks weren't thrilled about it, but you weren't going to be able to do something like that once you got into the real world.

It seems odd to look back on your college career and think to yourself…

"That was supposed to get me ready for the rest of my life?"

Yes, those few crazy years were, and for most, probably did.

But does anyone really get ready for the rest of his or her life? Sure you have plans for what you hope to do and hope to become, but you don't plan life. It just comes to you, day-by-day.

So on one of those days when you're asked how college was, you should say that it was good, or at the very least, not craptacular.

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Maybe we should just raise the cost of tuition now

Tim Krueger
Columnist

I really like paying tuition. It must be something that is bred into me as a part of our wonderful consumer culture the fact that I am buying myself a degree. When I think of it that way, it makes it very easy to drop some G every semester.

Every semester when I go to purchase another building block of my diploma, I think to myself that I am not paying nearly enough for this. I mean, how dang easy is it to just write down some numbers on a small piece of paper, and then in a few years, out spits a ticket to employment.

Kinda like those cool machines at amusement park in goes money, out comes ticket to fun! Yeeha!

Recently, I have spent a large amount of my free time praying that tuition will be raised so that the university can have more money and stop leeching money from the state. I think that if they have more money, they can buy more printers and print that ticket for employment faster.

Governor Doyle must be listening to me! The state of Wisconsin has all these weird people in it that want more money for whatever strange things they like to do, and this has caused a deficit. I don't know what possesses these people, but they are still asking for more money.

So the omniscient Doyle must make a decision on where to save money, since, unlike me, most people are against paying more for the excellent services they receive every day.

Through the rumor mill, I have heard that Droole plans to cut the amount of money he gives to the UW system, and this in turn might raise the tuition at these schools.

I have even heard that he told some schools they should take out loans to complete building projects, rather than use the cash on hand that they have. Something about a money grab similar to his past swipes of the financial aid reserves, but I wasn't really listening.

All I have to say about this is WAY TO GO! Stick it to those whiny bastards. If they were all like me, we could just write a bigger number on that check, and call it a day! Heck, I am even doing a service to Wisconsin by having to take out larger student loans every semester so that some day I can employ a lawyer to help me with bankruptcy proceedings. See? Right there, I am helping employ Wisconsin. I am cool.

Right now, tuition is way too cheap. There are just way too many people at universities. SuperDoyle wants to make Wisconsin a hotbed for venture capital and other big-dollar business, so if we are going to start having skyscrapers, we need to have janitors to keep those marble tiles clean. If this whole darn state goes to college, nobody will want to take the good jobs like parking lot security and front desk attendant.

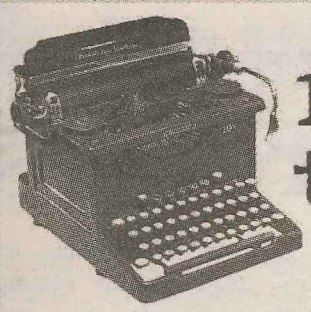
All you got to do Doylie is jack that crap up, and a bunch of those freaks that "can't afford it" will drop out to become the maintenance personnel we need for those cool buildings.

Now, I know there are a bunch of liberal agitators out there who claim that low tuition is as investment in the future. Please don't listen to them.

First off, liberals are all dumb, so that is why we don't listen to them. Second, why invest in the future?

Let us look at what is best for the short term! I mean, Shrub is out there pissing people off anyway, so chances are some irritated country is gonna nuke us in a few years regardless. What good is investing in the future if it's just gonna be radioactive?

Keep up the good work Dolte. Remember what we talked about: stop funding the universities, and in fact, use them for their auxiliary reserves! That's what they are there for, right? And we really don't mind paying for your mistakes.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Need to focus on students

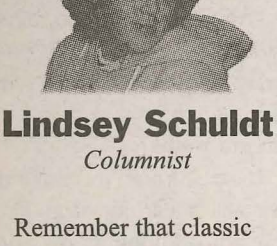
I think that you are on the right track with the money aspect of the new freshman program. However, there is an additional place for the campus to save money, and that is in the RA staff. From what I have heard, since there will not be as many RA's on north campus the school will only have to hire 2/3 the RA's they normally due. With the cost of room and board as high as it is, this would save the school a fair amount of money.

Now I am all for having lower tuition, but i think that we should become concerned when a university starts becoming so worried about the bottom line that they make decisions based on how much money they will save and not on the welfare of it's students. As your "freshman coming next year" article states, there is no student benefit coming from this. They will not have any upperclassman to help them pick classes, or make good decisions. They will be living another year of high school, because that is the only behavior they know, and without the leadership of upper classmen they will be inability to behave as college students.

Thank you for taking the time to read my rantings. I hope that you take into consideration the points I have brought up. It is far to late to change this new arrangement, but perhaps if we point out the flaws solutions can be found before we ruin an entire group of students.

Sincerely,
Luke Van Hulle

Time for college level reading



Joe Spraggon
Columnist

The semester is at a close, finally. I can now breathe again, for better or worse.

Next semester I will be student teaching, and after that I will graduate. Hopefully this will put an end to my bouts of semester-ending sleepless nights. I mean, heck, as I'm typing this I have to keep retracing my steps because I am forgetting letters and words.

I am also in the preliminary steps of planning my articles for next semester. I've been told that I should not work while student teaching, that I won't have the time and that it will take or the energy that should be put towards my preparations for teaching. Financially, I have no clue how they expect me to accomplish this feat.

That is why I am planning now. Newspapers are supposed to be written at a grade level that is acceptable to a great many people. If I remember correctly, the body beyond the first page is supposed to be written between reading grade levels six and eight with the first page at about a fourth grade level.

At a college paper, I find this to be ridiculous. We all must pass a specific reading level simply to be inducted into this setting, and I intend to take advantage of this in the spring semester.

I will no longer be lowering my ability simply for this reason: The majority of my readers should be able to read at a college level. I will expect this from them. My columns will exist in an episode-type format, relating and referencing each other from week to week. I am challenging both my readers and myself to reach for a higher goal.

You could say that this is my New Year's resolution early. I will be examining the very idea of academia, starting with what we should expect from a school of higher education and whether or not we are receiving our money's worth.

I will also examine what academia expects from us, the student body; if the standards are too high or not high enough.

I would invite both professors and students to send me an e-mail at my hotmail account: jspraggon@hotmail.com with any comments. Any thoughts on the matter would definitely help improve my goals with regards to this column. If I use your ideas I will most certainly give you credit for them.

That is another improvement I would like to explore. During my seven years here at Stout, I have heard many complaints about this paper, and to be honest I have had my own. Write in to us. Both with complaints and what you believe we are doing well. This will help us put out a higher quality paper.

The word count limit for letters to the editor is 250-that's not very high. Generally it is about half the length of my columns, and they only take me an hour or two to write. It would only take about 20 to 30 minutes to put together a well thought out letter and send it in.

I am looking forward to this next hurdle. I want to raise the bar and see where it can take us. Come with me; let's see exactly how much trouble we can dig up.

Brush that dirt off your shoulder and smile

Lindsey Schuldt
Columnist

Remember that classic Billy Joel song, "Under Pressure"? Yeah, I think he was talking about Christmas.

Why is it that at the supposedly happiest time of the year, everybody is freaking out about, well, near everything? I know Christmas is about the birth of Jesus and Christianity and all of that good stuff, but for the sake of any non-Christian's sanity and my article, I'm going to sideline this major fact. Forgive me in advance.

As I was saying, Christmas comes, finals arrive, money runs out, people travel, Winterms give you a crash course on how to fail a class in two weeks, and then it's almost Valentine's Day. Name one of these things that isn't stressful or depressing, and I'll pay you a million bucks.

Nope, I was lying. Which is just another thing for people to get upset about, but if I had the million dollars and you really needed some of it, I'd probably loan you some. See, isn't that what the holiday spirit is about? Giving?

A professor was saying the other day that on Christmas Day, suicide rates go up by 12 to 13 percent. That's right, on one, single day. But this is supposed to be a happy time, right? Let's think about all of the great things that come from this season.

You get a break from school. You get to go home and see your family, every single day for an entire month. You get to clean your room on demand, have a curfew and clean up your life. This means no drinking, sex, long distance phone calls, or car privileges, even if the car is yours, until all of your chores are done.

Wow. Maybe that's not helping my point of holiday cheer. Let me try again.

At least you get to hang out with your little cousins and siblings who spill punch on your computer by accidentally throwing a football right at it. You know, the computer your college gave you, the one you already pay double for, the one that the school will make you pay for again if anything happens to it.

You get to watch your aunts and uncles drink their stresses into oblivion while making you take millions of pictures and giving you home knit sweaters and gift cards to places only your grandparents would shop.

And the best part is, you get to do it for an entire month. Woohoo, right?

Okay, so maybe I'm being a little too sarcastic. But the point is, this is supposed to be a happy time. You do get see the people you haven't seen in forever, which is good because even if you didn't like them, you've probably forgotten by now.

This is also the time when you don't have to worry about finals. They're done, gone, finished, and even if you failed, at least you'll have way more to go off of the next time you take them.

As for money, well, it's always going to suck when people want things you can't afford. I don't recommend running up your credit card bill in an attempt to satisfy people who's materialistic wants and needs are more important to them than the fact that you want to get them something nice.

That will just cause way more stress down the line.

But I do think that people just need to take things as they come. If you can't change it, that means you can't control it, and you really shouldn't freak out about it. You only feel pressured when you lose patience for the task at hand.

Just brush that dirt off of your shoulder and smile. I know it's hard, but when you allow your face to defy gravity and point in an upward direction, you'll forget about all the pressure that honestly never even existed anyway.

So Happy Holidays. Have a good break, and try to start off the New Year by not getting so drunk as to forget the years actually did turn over and no matter what, don't waste your time fighting, arguing or worrying. Life is too short to not be happy.

By the way, I really don't think Billy Joel's song was all that classic.

Christmas Musings

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

If anyone remembers my last article around this time of year, it was my own version of a Christmas special. That one was a lot of fun and a good way for me to be creative during a pretty stressful semester. This year is somewhat less stressful, but that doesn't mean that I didn't have any troubles at all; far from it. The biggest, though, was finding a topic worthy of not only the final article I would write for the semester, but one that would get everyone's holiday spirit up a color on the holiday-spirit-alert-level-meter.

I began to think of topics that would make people say, "Wow, that Matt is really a rather clever and urbane fellow. I'd sure like to mail him $7.50." (By the way, my address is 334 North Hall). But alas, nothing came to me. All of my poor, exhausted synapses in my brain had long since fired their last gasp in my packaging fundamentals class, out of boredom.

I toyed with the idea of a new Christmas special; maybe a wreath that was possessed by a ghost and had to eat a certain amount of people to be accepted into the after life? It could have pine needles tipped with cyanide for teeth! But then the reality set in on how terribly dim of an idea that was. Plus, it seemed a bit too morbid for Christmas.

I then looked at my desk and saw the miniature set of Rockem Sockem Robots I purchased from Wal-Mart a few weeks ago. Could I write a funny piece on them? Maybe the story could be that these two robots were raised as brothers, and trained in the same super robot fighting dojo. But then, when the robot fighting Olympics rolled around, they had to compete against each other because of some stupid, irrelevant tournament by-law and…nope. Way too stupid.

I quickly decided that it was necessary to remove all the toys on my desk, of which there are many, so that I would stop playing with them long enough to write something decent. But then I saw the free slinky I received for registering for housing for next year. Maybe I could tell the story of a slinky that was in Santa's bag of toys, but fell out in, let's say, the Mediterranean Sea. And it had to fold over itself, and, I guess, slinky all the way to the lucky little boy or girl that it was meant for. It could ride on a manatee's back and then get picked up by friendly pirates. Wait, never mind.

I suppose all these musings of terrible articles are much more interesting than anything I could have come up with. Could we just run what I wrote last year?

Evaluation week scheduling process

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

University of Wisconsin-Stout students who plan to celebrate Christmas may want to have all of their shopping done early this year. Some students will be taking finals up until just three days before Christmas.

How is it that some students have finals at 8 a.m. and others have finals as late as 8 p.m.?

One might imagine the coordination of the evaluation schedule as a massive project accomplished possibly with the assistance of software.

In truth, the recipe for evaluation week is about 20 years old.

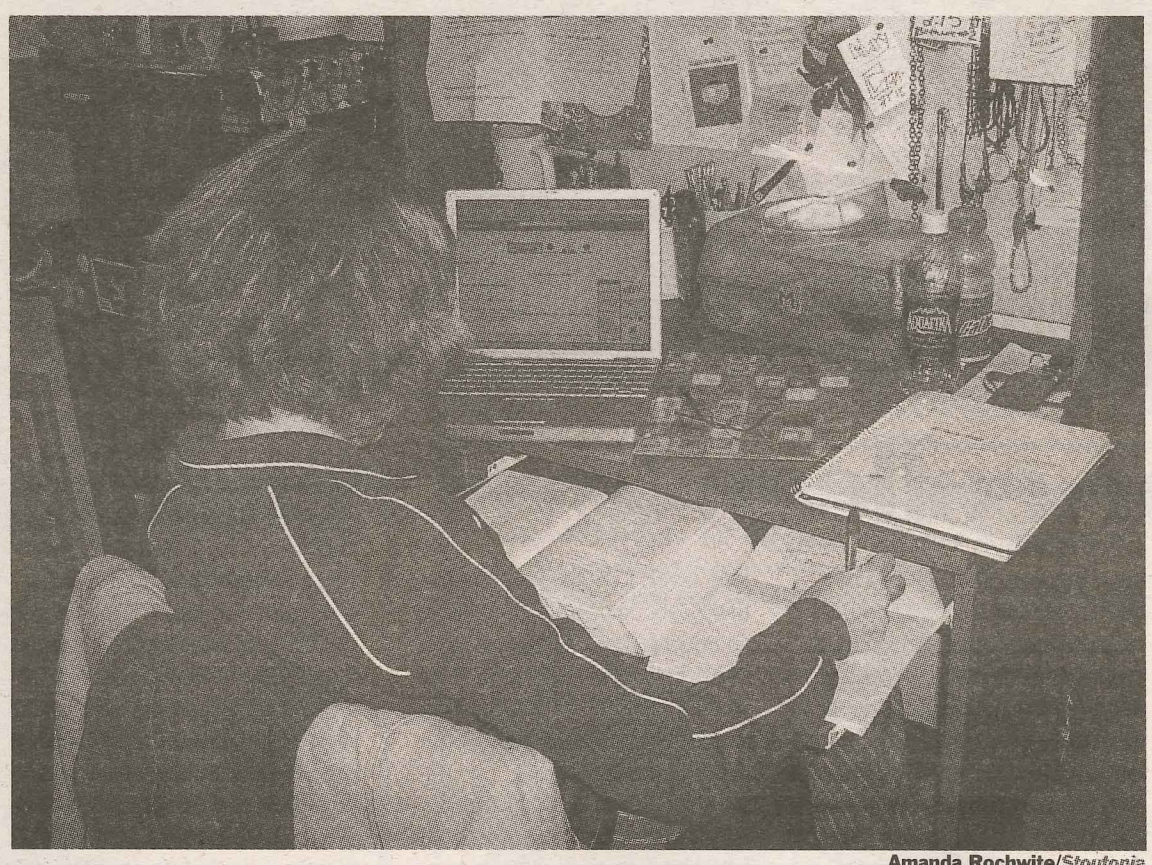
"The schedule was devised by a committee in the mid-1980s," said Jeff Kirshling, the registrar manager at UW-Stout.

Kirschling said that the same schedule is "rolled over" every semester, and that the dates change depending on where the schedule falls on each calendar and on the semester start date.

"Anyone who looks at all the past [evaluation] schedules can see the pattern," said Kirshling.

Even though the formula for evaluation week is set, the UW-Stout Calendar Committee begins planning for a given semester two years in advance.

Finals for classes with multiple sessions, such as math and accounting classes, tend to be scheduled in the evening so that large rooms can be reserved for common or identical exams.



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

The final exam schedule, which rolls over from semester to semester, was devised in the mid-1980s. According to a survey taken last year, most students prefer evaluation week to another week of classes.

"I think the instructors want to be fair," said Kirshling. "[All students] are expected to know the same thing at the same time."

Common exams not only save time and work for the instructors who hold them, but they also help prevent students from cheating, which is another factor that makes exams more fair for all students.

"We try to spread out clusters of classes so that all the exams aren't on the same day," said Kirshling. "Year after year, the schedule goes on very quietly."

Kirschling said that there have been relatively few schedule complications among students. Any student who has three or more exams on the same day can ask an instructor for permission to take an exam on a different day.

Although none of the evaluation week schedulers check for such complications, the UW-Stout Educational Activities Committee (EAC) runs random surveys for levels of student satisfaction with evaluation week.

According to last year's survey, most respondents said they strongly prefer evaluation week as opposed to having another week of classes.

In general, there were more positive than negative comments about the evaluation week schedule. Some students stated on the survey that the schedule gives them more time to study or to unwind.

Evaluation schedules can vary greatly among students. Some students are more disadvantaged than others.

"I'm kind of irked about [the evaluation schedule this semester]," said Jason Wirz, a junior in telecommunications. "It's kind of a pain."

Wirz said that he has a lot of tests before finals and then will take even more exams during evaluation week.

"I've had no time to prepare [for my finals] because there is a full week of classes right before [evaluation week.]," said Wirz.

Some of the RAs have to stay even longer than any of the other students.

"I'll be one of the last people out of here," said Brandon Jutz, RA on the third floor of Kranzusch.

Jutz is among a handful of RAs required to close CKTO, a process that includes checking all rooms, cleaning the front desk and making sure there are no trespassers.

Closing the dorm buildings generally takes a few hours, so some RAs who have a long drive will stay on campus until December 23.

"I'm not too worried about it," said Christine Albertson, the RA on fourth Curran, who will also help close CKTO. She drives three hours to get home.

"Actually, I kind of like it," said Albertson. "By the time I get home, I won't have to wait too long before Christmas."

Cramming your face while cramming for finals

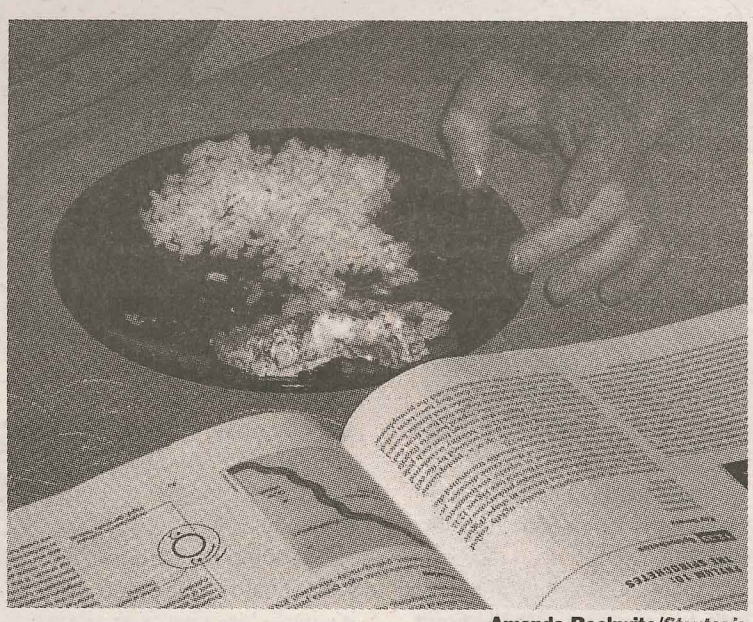
Katie Bader
Columnist

It's 5 p.m. on the day before your huge, comprehensive, final exam. This exam determines a major part of your grade, and you haven't really had time to study much. You have to cram as many facts and statistics into your head as you can, and you need to do it tonight.

But first you must eat supper. During this busy, stressful time of year it is hard to make time to eat. But this should, in fact, be a top priority.

Eating foods, especially nutritious types, provide our brains with the energy needed to function properly. This means if you eat a healthy dinner, you will most likely be able to think of better ideas for your projects, memorize facts better for your exams and stay focused on finishing the long papers.

One of the best 'brain' foods to eat is fish. Fatty acids contained in fish influence parts of the brain that allow the brain cells to send messages to each other, which an important thing when studying.



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Many students neglect their appetites during finals week. Proper nutrition can help the brain memorize facts and stay focused.

Fish may be a little more expensive than other meats, but it is important to treat your body to this nutrient-packed food. One pound of haddock is around $5, but can be shared between two or three people. This recipe is very easy to make and can be prepared very quickly.

Fast Haddock

1 pound haddock fillets
¼ cup butter or margarine
dried dill weed to taste
lemon pepper to taste
3 tablespoons lemon juice

1. Place fish fillets in a microwave-safe dish. Microwave for about four minutes to defrost the fish.

2. Place the butter all over the fish. Sprinkle with dill weed and lemon pepper. Drizzle lemon juice over the fish.

3. Cover and cook on high for three to five minutes or until the fish turns white.

Add a little rice and some fruit or vegetables and you have yourself a complete meal.

It is now 11:36 p.m. You have 8 hours and 24 minutes before your exam. You've studied diligently for the last few hours, but as you page through the chapters you see you have a lot more to go, and your brain needs a break.

It is easy when you take a break from studying to grab a candy bar or cookies for the energy needed to stay focused, but these foods only give our bodies a temporary sugar high.

Instead, carbohydrates found in foods such as bread, pasta and potatoes break down more slowly in the body providing energy all night long, not just the next hour or two.

"When I study, I always snack on munchie foods, like Doritos," said Amber Schmuhl, a junior in food systems and technology.

Next time you are looking for foods to snack on while studying try a handful of raisins instead of a handful of M & M's. Or try a bowl of Raisin Bran instead of the bowl of Froot Loops. Switch the chocolate chip cookies with oatmeal raisin cookies, or better yet switch the cookies with popcorn.

"My favorite food to eat when I study is popcorn," said Carrie Schneider, a senior majoring in human development and family studies.

Here is a recipe that combines a variety of foods to eat while studying. It is easy to make and easier to munch on as you flip through the pages.

Terrific Trail Mix

1 cup dried fruit, such as raisins, blueberries, apples, mangoes and more
1 cup mixed nuts
*1 cup of chocolate-covered raisins**

1. Combine everything in a zip lock bag and shake to mix.

**Trail Mix is a versatile snack to make because you can add so many different foods. Try adding Chex cereal or cheerios, pretzels, popcorn or any other of your favorite foods.*

The time is now 3:18 a.m., and you are still studying. Only three more painful chapters to

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Back to school; 12 years, two children and one husband later

After encountering financial difficulties, Beth Sleep put her education on hold, but never let go of her dream

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

"Just be happy for today, because life happens, and tomorrow it could all go away," said 43-year-old, non-traditional senior in human development and family studies (HDFS), Beth Sleep.

Sleep, who originally attended college 12 years ago, enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Stout as a full-time student two years ago. After leaving high school, she attended the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire with hopes of getting a degree in psychology. However, her college graduate plans soon fell apart.

"My father refused to fill out the FAFSA once I moved to Eau Claire," Sleep giggled. "So, I worked and saved enough money to attend one class a semester because I was told I wasn't eligible for loans until I was 24-years-old, at which time I wouldn't need to report my father's income to be eligible for financial aid."

In the meantime, she met her husband and had two children, a daughter and a son. Although the desire was in her heart, finances were not available, and she was forced to leave school.

"I attended [school] for eight years part-time and sometimes less," said Sleep. "I worked part-time to pay for childcare and my classes and since, at 24-years of age, I wasn't eligible for enough in grants to cover the costs and my husband and I didn't want to take out student loans because interest rates were around 10 percent, we didn't want to be burdened with having to pay back loans at such high interest rates should something happen, and I would have to withdraw from school."

The Sleeps were also home schooling their oldest child and planning to do the same for their younger child.

"We decided it was best I put my education on hold and focus on giving the children a good education and investing in their respective extra-curricular activities," said Sleep. "I always thought, if the opportunity came about, I could always return and finish my degree, and here I am, 12 years later doing just that!"

Before returning to school at UW-Stout, Sleep was a real estate appraiser and a deputy city clerk.

"I was tired of spending most of my day in front of a computer, although I really enjoyed the people I worked with," said Sleep. "My children were now young adults and mostly self-supporting, so I decided it was time to focus on my own future."

With thoughts of having to support herself if something ever happened to her husband, she knew the only way she would ever be able to get by was to get a college degree.

"I wanted to be able to build a career around helping people and be able to do so in a variety of ways because I need to be always challenging myself and trying new things, this is what makes me happy," Sleep said.

Sleep had originally planned to return UW-Eau Claire to finish her psychology degree, when she met with faculty in adult services who suggested the HDFS program.

Courtesy of Heidi Sleep

Beth Sleep, a senior in human development and family studies, is a non-traditional student who attended school for eight years off and on. Twelve years later, she is back to school full-time to get her diploma.

"[The faculty member] thought this program might offer me the education that best fit what I wanted to do with my future," said Sleep. "Then after comparing their program and placement percentages I decided to give it a try."

Sleep decided on HDFS instead of going back to psychology for an education that was broader. She could also be eligible for a training certificate in social working.

"I need to have a marketable degree so that I can find employment in a field related to my major, and this program had the best post graduate employment statistics in this regard," Sleep said.

With a 23-year marriage and a family, Sleep's husband readily agreed and supported her decision to return to college.

"My husband agreed as long as I could get it done in two years, because his income alone would not support us for very long," said Sleep. "He also knew how much I had regretted leaving college because we couldn't afford it while raising the children.

He's always been really great about supporting me in terms of work outside the home, as well as raising the children."

Not only is her husband supportive, but the rest of the family is as well. Sleep's oldest child, Heidi, attends UW-Stout as a junior in technical communication, and is always eager to support her mom.

"I was very happy about her deciding to go back to school," said H. Sleep. "I know that completing college and earning her degree has been a dream of hers since she was in high school. She postponed her dreams to help my brother and I fulfill ours. She deserves to finally do something for herself after all these years."

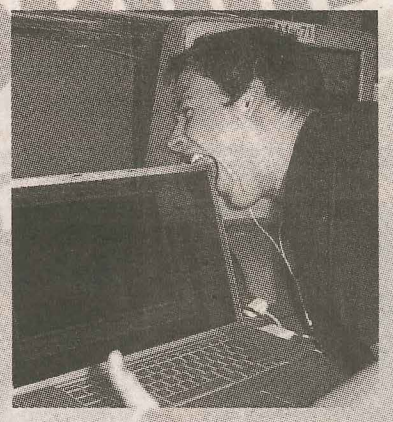
B. Sleep deals with stressors beyond the traditional student's concerns. It's more difficult for her to relate to younger students who came to school to be more independent and get away from their parents.

"Also, it's more stressful because I am generating more debt with a higher element of risk due to my age," said B. Sleep. "The fact is that a lot of companies in America let people go from their jobs around age 50 so they don't have to pay full retirement benefits and so they can bring someone younger in, pay them less and save themselves money that way."

"What piece of equipment gave you the most trouble during your senior project, and what would you do to destroy it?"

"The printer, I'd beat it up *Office Space* style."
Lisa Schickert
senior
graphic design

"Flash, I would take Flash, clone it into a family and eat their first born child."
David Starr
senior
multimedia design



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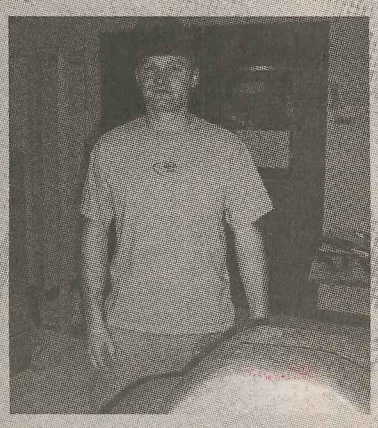

"My computer, I would set it on fire."
Brian Mullins
senior
industrial design

"Auto Cad, I'd throw it out the window."
Sonnet Katlin
senior
interior design

Slant

Recipe /*Exam food*

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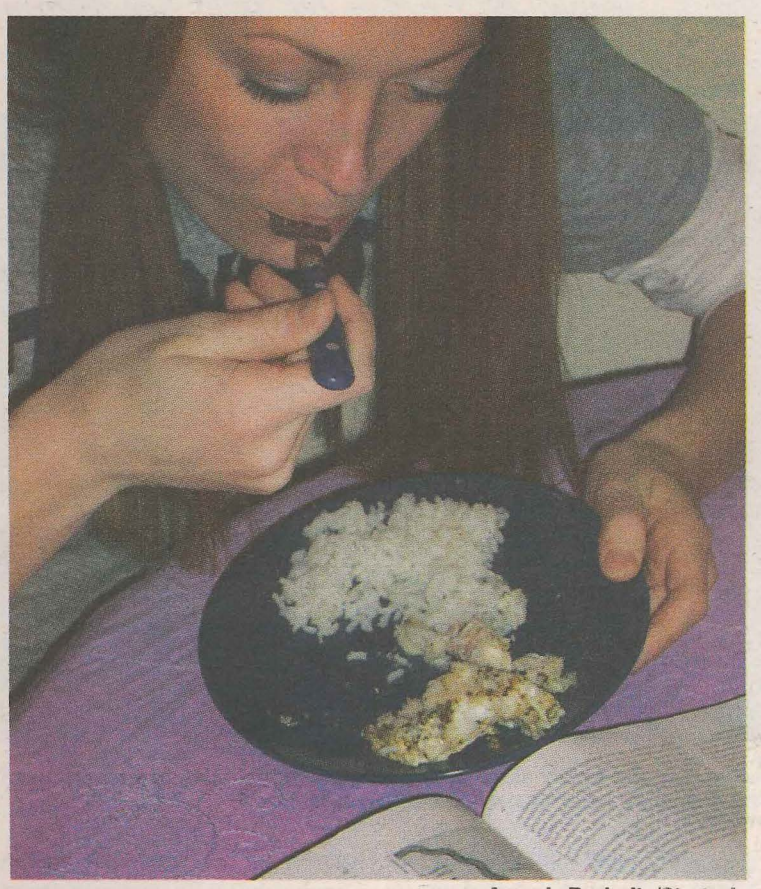

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Alison Weis, a junior in packaging, enjoys a plate of haddock. Fatty acids in fish help the brain cells to send messages to one another.

memorize, but you are dead tired. At times like this a jolt of caffeine would give you what you need to keep those heavy eyelids open.

This coffee drink should hopefully pull you through the last few hours of studying.

Quick Coffee Mocha

Brewed strong hot coffee
1 Tbsp. chocolate syrup or hot chocolate powder
*Whipped topping**

1. Add the chocolate syrup or hot chocolate to a large mug of coffee and stir together.

2. Add the whipped topping to the mug.

**To reduce calories and fat, try a light whipped topping or omit completely.*

It is now 7:32 a.m., only 28 minutes before you go use all the knowledge you forced into your brain.

As a quick pick-me-up in the morning orange juice can do the trick. This drink is fortified and is therefore able to provide the body with lots of energy.

"It tastes just like a dreamsicle, but it is very nutritious," said Tara Bugge a junior in dietetics and the inventor of this drink.

Dreamy Dreamsicle Drink

Very Vanilla Soy milk
Orange Juice

1. Fill your glass half full with the soy milk.

2. Fill the glass to the top with orange juice and stir the ingredients together.

Add a bowl of cereal and some fruit and you have a complete breakfast.

It is 8 a.m., test time. You're a little nervous about this exam, but you know from all the hours of studying and the nutritious foods you ate, you are more than ready for it.

Good luck on your finals!

On to the future

Elizabeth Bailey
Columnist

The Student Life section has been my home for one full year, concluding this week. I have had the great opportunity of working for *The Stoutonia* in several different areas; photography, writing and layout. My fearless leader has been Diana Minea, Student Life Editor and my left hip for the last year. We have had a great run of memories both on and off the job.

While many people generally dread going to work, I always look forward to working at *The Stoutonia*; there has never been a dull moment. Slant has been an added bonus this semester; it truly is a random polling of anyone on the campus. That has helped us get to know a lot of people.

Journalism is something that I never thought I would get into, but once you're in you want to stay. I know that it will help me in my profession of graphic design, and I plan to continue writing throughout my career.

Besides, where else do you get paid to be a professional stalker, tracking someone down to get his or her quote as well as their photograph taken. I know it sounds strange, but that's what it feels like when you're trying to hunt down a complete stranger.

As we conclude this week, we are all anxious for the holiday season to arrive at last. I am taking the time to enjoy every second that exists before graduation, and am going to miss my friends at *The Stoutonia* dearly; they've grown to be my family here at school.

I've enjoyed relating to some of you on a personal level, therefore I want to paint for you what my future holds before I say goodbye.

My first and foremost present being my Graphic Design Senior Show, "A Kite and a Key," it has been longer than feels possible that I have been waiting for my senior show to actually be a reality. I would love to say goodbye to you all in person at our show this Friday, Dec. 17 from 5:30-9 p.m. in the Applied Arts building, including heaps of free food for everyone.

It will only get sweeter as graduation follows Saturday morning. A moment every student readily awaits, walking across that stage receiving your college diploma and advancing into the real world. I know it will take a lot for me to choke back the tears as I leave UW-Stout forever.

Then it's home for the holidays, which will be doubled this year as I will soon be gaining in-laws.

It's strange what your Christmas presents become as you get older. This year I am getting my teeth cleaned, and to top it all off, I'm getting a crown. The dentist is quite possibly my least favorite place to go, but I am really thankful for the gift, otherwise I wouldn't be able to afford to get either of the torture treatments done out of my own pocket.

A short six weeks after graduation comes the greatest present of all. I will be married in Hawaii and soon to be known as Elizabeth Woods! By March, I will reside in Europe to live for a few years, utilizing my photojournalism and graphic design skills.

Someday I will find a permanent home in New Zealand, if they will grant me citizenship. I wish you all the best, and it has been a great privilege working for *The Stoutonia,* and I know that someone great will take my place. Now get out there and celebrate life!

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Saturday, Dec. 18
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- **Graduation Commencement,** Johnson Fieldhouse, 9:30 a.m.

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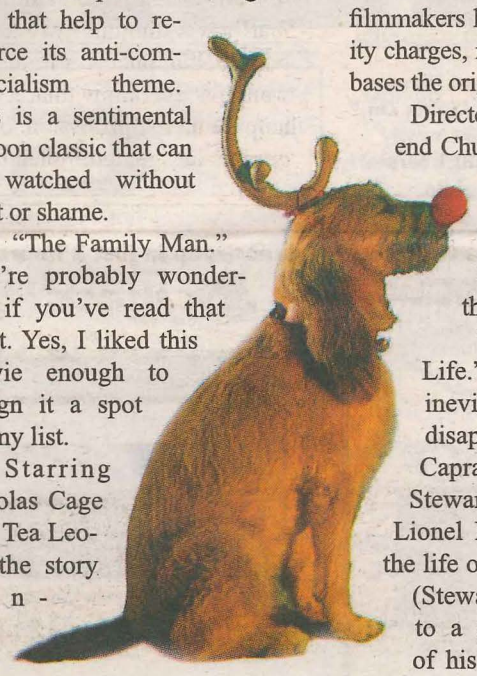
Movies to set a holiday mood

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

Recently, I was watching TV, and I came across a commercial for a new made-for-TV movie starring Dolly Parton as an angel whose job is to save a family's Christmas. Consumed with nausea, I changed the channel, but not before wondering if holiday movies could get any worse.

The seasonal nature of these movies means that the true classics never overstay their welcome. This is a list of my favorites.

"A Charlie Brown Christmas." While more a TV special than a movie, no Christmas is complete without Charlie Brown's pathetic, weed-like Christmas tree. The animation and voice acting have an unsophisticated, organic feel that help to reinforce its anti-commercialism theme. This is a sentimental cartoon classic that can be watched without guilt or shame.



"The Family Man." You're probably wondering if you've read that right. Yes, I liked this movie enough to assign it a spot on my list.

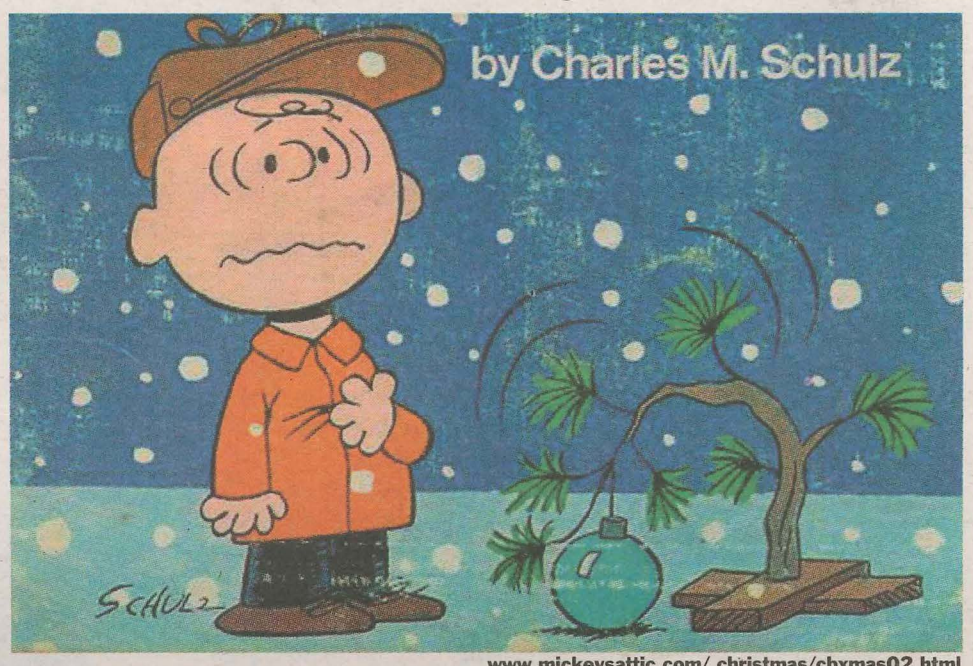
Starring Nicolas Cage and Tea Leoni, the story concerns a corporate hustler who gets a glimpse of what his life would be like had he married his girlfriend and had a family. I enjoyed the anti-Capra approach to storytelling, and the ending manages to be sad without being sappy.

"Dr. Seuss's: How the Grinch Stole Christmas." And no, I don't mean the putrid live-action travesty perpetrated by Jim Carrey and director Ron Howard.

That movie may be one of the few times where I'd say forget the First Amendment and have the filmmakers locked up on obscenity charges, mostly because it debases the original cartoon classic.

Directed by animation legend Chuck Jones and featuring the inimitable voice of Boris Karloff, it never feels like Christmas until this comes on the TV.

"It's a Wonderful Life." This choice was inevitable, so I won't disappoint. The Frank Capra classic with Jimmy Stewart, Donna Reed and Lionel Barrymore concerns the life of one George Bailey (Stewart) who is guided to a greater appreciation of his existence when his guardian angel shows him what life in his hometown would be like if he'd never been born. This is as good as kitsch ever gets, and it's Jimmy Stewart at his everyman best.



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(above) Charlie Brown has to work at it for a while, but eventually he has the best Christmas ever. (below) The grinch could never steal Christmas from a cute puppy.

Lastly, "A Christmas Carol." The title doesn't really narrow it down since, of course, hundreds of versions of this Dickens tale have been released, and the range of quality is just as diverse.

The version I'm referring to was made in 1951 with Alistair Sim as the miserly Ebenezer Scrooge. For my money, none have ever done the role as well as Sim and few have come close. I can't be alone in this because somehow this version always finds its way to television while attempts like the disappointing Patrick Stewart get forgotten.

These are only five of my favorites; no doubt, you'll have no trouble finding stuff to watch come Christmas morning.

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Heavy metal legend dies tragically

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Editor

Dec. 8, 2004 - a date that will live in infamy – the heavy metal world was suddenly and deliberately attacked by a crazed, gun-yielding ex-fan.

Slightly after 10 p.m. Eastern time, Damageplan, a heavy metal band, took the stage for a peaceful but aggression-fueled performance in Columbus, Ohio. Several of the band members including the drummer and guitarist were former band members of the late heavy metal group, Pantera.

The band was in tune with its fans and worked to please the crowd. However, shortly into the first song of their set, the guitarist and former Pantera band member, "Dimebag" Darrell Abbot was fatally shot in the head.

Why did this happen, and how could it have happened? Only 25-year-old Nathan Gale, of Marysville, Ohio, knows the answer. Unfortunately, no one will ever know the answer since Gale was shot by a Remington 870, 12-gauge, pump-action shotgun at the hands of police officer James Niggemeyer.

Shortly before the band took the stage, Gale hopped a fence and snuck in the back doors of Alrosa Villa, a night club in Columbus, which regularly features rock and metal acts.

Gale made it on stage right as Damageplan began playing "New Found Power." He immediately approached Dimebag, grabbed him and unloaded five shots from his 9mm Beretta into Dimebag's head, according to witnesses. After gunning down Dimebag, Gale proceeded to fire at Dimebag's brother, drummer Vinnie Paul Abbot.

That shot missed, but Gale's bullets hit five other people present, killing three, wounding two. Jeffery "Mayhem "Thompson, Damageplan's head of security was among those slain in the shooting. Also, 23-year-old Nathan Bray was fatally shot while attempting to administer aid to Dimebag.

A security guard for the venue was the third victim who didn't walk away alive; a drum technician for the band, and the band's tour manager, were wounded in the shooting, leaving manager Chris Paluska in critical condition.

"This is a terrible time for metal," said Ryan Anderson, a junior majoring in technical education. "Killing Dimebag is like killing Jesus…you just don't kill Jesus."

It may seem brash to make

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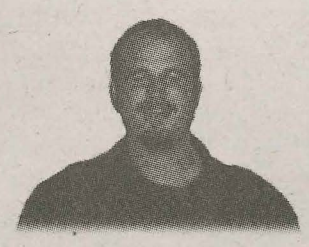
Darrell "Dimebag" Abbot was brutally shot down with three others on Dec. 8.

Nirvana: gone but never forgotten



Joe Spraggon
Columnist

It has been 10 years since Kurt Cobain decided that the proper course for his life to follow would be greatly improved by the introduction of a little lead to the inside of his cranium.

After a heated court battle between Nirvana's remaining members and his widow, Courtney Love, we now have the Nirvana boxed set, "With the Lights Out."

Most will never forget the first time that they heard Cobain screech out the lyrics for "Smells Like Teen Spirit," including myself.

For me, it was after he killed himself. I grew up in a small town and didn't know much about popular music, and my parents didn't allow any MTV-watching (and in retrospect I would like to thank them), so my choices were fairly limited.

Back to being amazed. The band simply floored fans and critics alike with their raw emotion and dire enthusiasm. Stripped down and unpolished compared to the 80s rock that everyone was accustomed to, Nirvana reeked of honesty. On this compilation, even more so, which shows through on their most recently released CD, "With the Lights Out".

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http://www.nirvana-music.com

The recently released Nirvana Disc Set, "With the Lights On," contains 51 out of 61 newly released Nirvana songs formerly unavailable to the public.

Editors Note:
In the issue released on Dec. 2, 2004, the Entertainment title "Don't hate me because I'm right" by Kyle Kingston was misleading.

Although it was intended to be satirical, my humor was inappropriate.

All Apologies.
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Shot / *Heavy Metal legend dies*

such an analogy but it's not far off. Dimebag and Abbott were just two of the original group of young musicians to start the prodigious heavy metal behemoth that was Pantera.

Pantera's 1990s "Cowboys From Hell" marked the dawning of a new era for the genre. DimeBag's celebrated riffs have been subject to duplication more times than anyone can count. He was a true inspiration to all prospective musicians to come.

Pantera set many precedents for their genre of choice, especially with their 1994 album Far Beyond Driven debuting at number one on the Billboard charts.

This marked the zenith of the influence of the phenomenon that is heavy metal music. On stage, Dimebag was easily recognized by his world renown variety of the "Flying-V" guitar, made by Dean.

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(clockwise from top) Bob Zilla (bass), Dimebag Darrell (guitar), Patrick Lachman (vocals) and Vinnie Paul (drums).

Dimebag's style was so unique and so profound that his music inspired some of the great metal artists of our generation.

"He was one of the last great, traditional metal guitarists of our day. He was just a legend. It seems like all the great guitar players get taken early," said Korn vocalist and front man Jonathan Davis in an MTV interview after the shooting.

Davis said Pantera inspired his love for metal and encouraged him to pursue the dream.

Dec. 14, 2004 was the date of the private service for Dimebag in his hometown in Texas. The ceremony was private and contained only close friends and family.

For those of you who have been blessed with the privilege to have experienced the power of the quintessential metal band of our era, cherish the memory.

The wonderfully hard-hitting riffs of Dimebag helped many to achieve the best high in the world, far surpassing any drug or adult adventure possible: experiencing heavy metal live.

This is indeed a tragic event. So put your rebel flags at half-mast. Crank some "Walk," "Cemetery Gates" or "Revolution Is My Name." Crack a beer and salute the fallen King of the Cowboys from Hell.

Music / *Nirvana lives again*

Just forget about that pathetic greatest hits album Love forced onto the music world last year. This three-disc, one DVD set is honest Nirvana. Out of the 61 music tracks, 51 one of them are previously unreleased, and the remaining 10 are all rare B-sides and demos.

The CDs are laid out in, mostly, chronological order from the very beginning of the band until just a few weeks before Cobain's untimely death.

Throughout these collections, as you listen, you can hear the band change from just another grunge band into the band that we all know and love so dearly. Disc one begins with a cover of Led Zepplin's "Heartbreaker" and continues on with many early versions of later works.

The second disc continues on with this theme. Many of the songs featured here have seen absolutely no play at all such as the song, "Opinion." Thankfully we now have these available to us.

Disc three finishes off the set with such songs as a haggard, but superior version of the Greatest Hits' only selling point, "You Know You're Right" and a formerly unknown and breathtaking song, "Do Re Mi." Here we see the final version of Nirvana in all of its glory. This is Cobain at his self-proclaimed most emotionally hurting stage. The last track is a very appropriate choice, "All Apologies."

The DVD is mostly home videos of the early genesis of the band, but highlights do occur. Among them is the rare Sub-Pop video for "In Bloom" and an all-to-uncommon, yet very welcome, sight of Cobain smiling while playing drums.

Now, it must be said, that this is not for the casual Nirvana fan. Novoselic and Grohl intended this only for hardcore fans, and that is apparent in their choice of very dirty and unkempt recordings. The vast majority of these songs have much background noise and mistakes, yet they give a very unique look at how the band formed as well as how Cobain would record his demos.

Many miss Nirvana a great deal. They were the voice of our generation, and Cobain left too early. His selfishness irritates me to no end.

A generation was left with no musical voice, and many genuinely believe that we are still feeling this loss today. If you feel this way, by all means, go out and purchase this collection.

It has left millions of fans with even more respect for a band that they already considered to be on an equal level with The Beatles and Pink Floyd.

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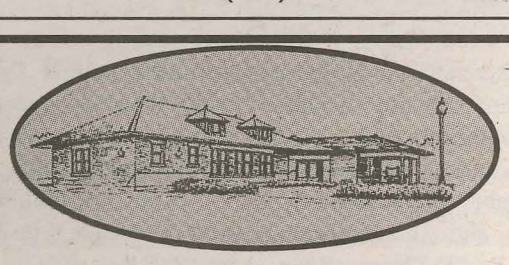

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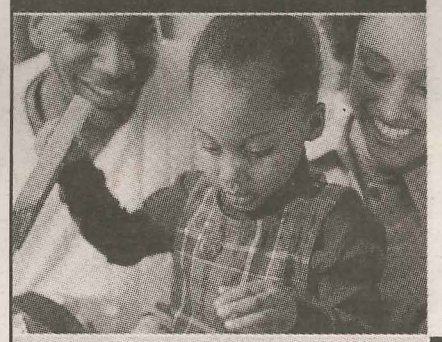

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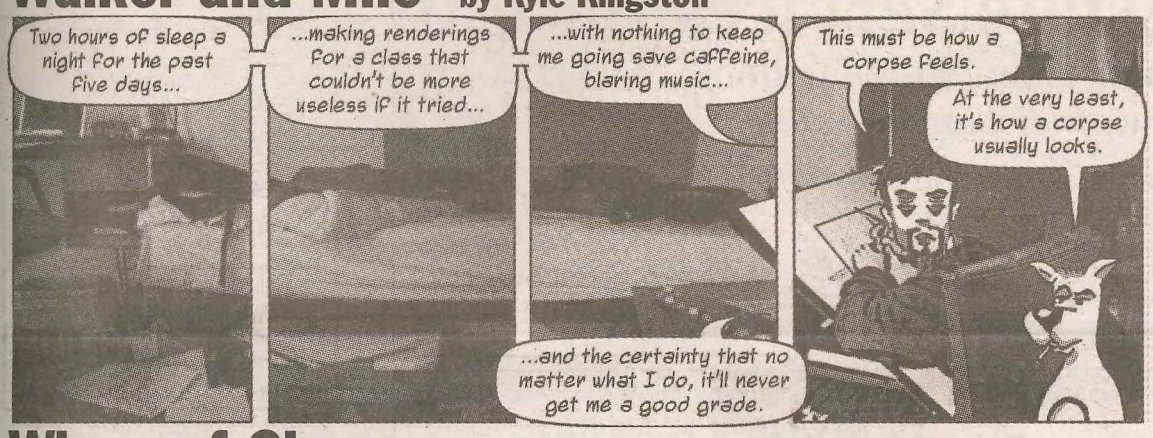

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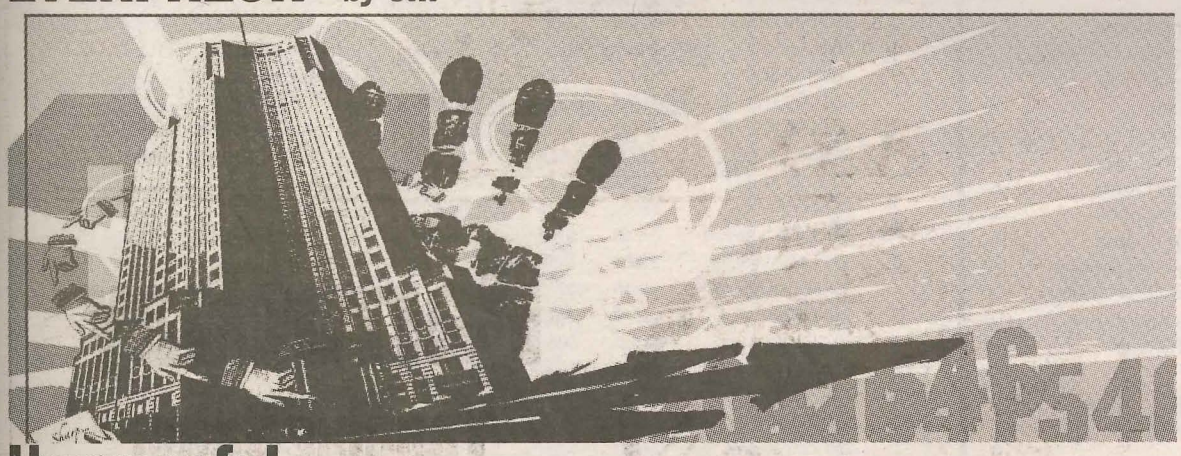

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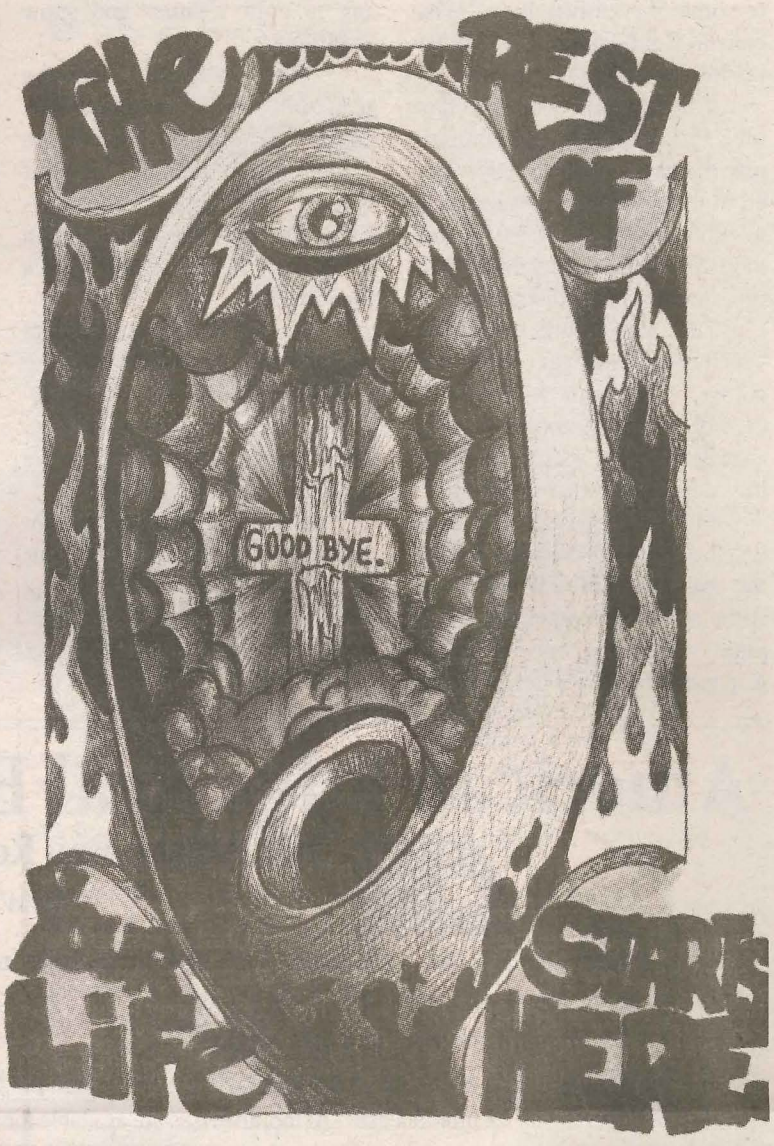

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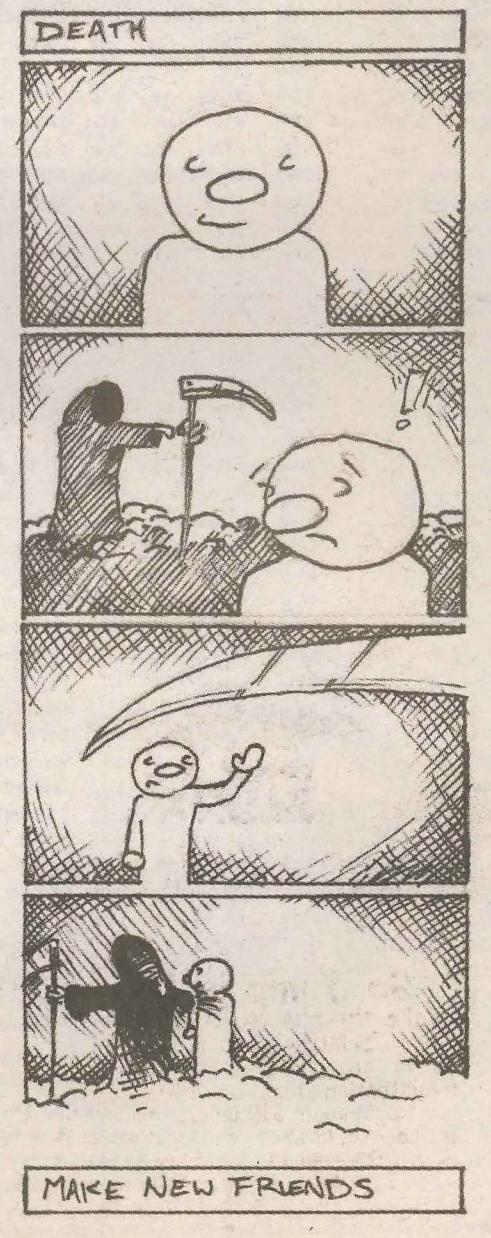


Running club sets up for marathon

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

While training for a marathon sounds like a daunting task to some, the University of Wisconsin-Stout running club is starting a team to do just that.

This program is open to faculty, staff, students and community members. Everyone is invited to train with the running club to run a marathon or half-marathon in the Mad City Marathon this summer in Madison, Wis.

The team invites people to "get outside and get active this spring." The team will provide members with a support system, as well as a more structured training regimen for the marathon.

The marathon-training team will be a special program within the running club and will have some of its own practices. They plan on running once a week, starting in January when students get back from break.

The team will run only once a week together until the weather starts to warm up again after spring break because training in cold weather and snow is difficult.

"The marathon training team will provide an opportunity for people to fulfill their dream of running a marathon," said Jeff Keenan, president of the UW-Stout running club. "It is also a great way to fulfill New Year's resolutions."

The practices will be held outside and those participating will be expected to also practice on their own, with running, cross training and staying active through the winter months.

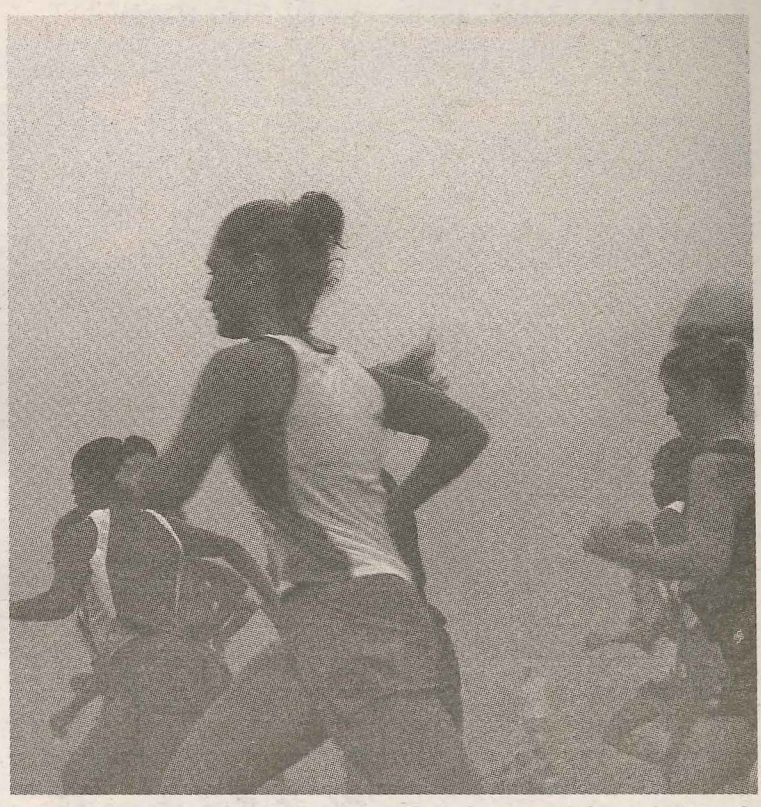
After Spring Break, the team will start to practice together four to five times per week, running mostly outside, with a few practices including track-running and weight-lifting.

The team will practice around Menomonie, running on roads and trails.

Anyone interested needs to have good running shoes, the time to train, as well as the determination and enthusiasm needed to run long distances. Being able to run a 5K (3.1 miles) without walking is also required.

Most of the costs of training and participating in the program, as well as the entry fee for the Mad City Marathon, will be covered by the club. Participants in the marathon-training team do not have to be running club members, everyone is of course welcome to join the club.

The team will be having an informational meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Birch Gallery of the MSC for anyone interested in joining the team. Practice days and times will also be worked out at this meeting.



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Training for a marathon can be a very difficult task. The UW-Stout running club has set up a program to to train runners for a marathon.

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1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
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1	1	421 Wilson Ave #4	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
1	1	119 W Main St. #1	$275	$275	$345	$345	Close To campus and downtown	3
1	1	115 1/2 W. Main	$320	$320	$370	$370	Close to campus and downtown	O
2	1	113 W. Main	$350	$175	$420	$210	Close to campus and downtown	H
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2	1	421 Wilson Ave #5	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
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2	1	1506 6th St.	$420	$210	$500	$250	Huge Bedrooms, enclosed front porch,	D
2	1	115 W Main St.	$380	$190	$465	$233	Parking,downtown location	3
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2	1	1115 14th Ave.	$640	$160	$720	$195	Gas heat, garage, lg. Rooms, laundry.	H
2	1	1506 1/2	$330	$165	$400	$200	Enclosed porch, great location	H
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$495	$165	$615	$205	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$525	$175	$675	$225	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$615	$205	$715	$239	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$550	$184	$700	$234	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$900	$300	n/a	n/a	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$380	$190	$455	$228	Nice Duplex with parking	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$580	$145	$760	$190	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$600	$150	$720	$180	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	1	309 14th Ave. W.	$600	$150	$740	$185	WashDry/gas heat/good location/7/31/05	H
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4	2	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$900	$225	$1130	$283	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$980	$245	$1200	$300	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1200	$300	$1200	$300	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$1000	$250	$1200	$300	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$600	$150	$720	$180	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	2	1115 17th Ave.	$750	$150	$960	$192	Very large rooms/WashDry hook-up	H
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	good location, Wash/Dry	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	$1150	$230	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$1000	$200	$1160	$232	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1125	$225	$1325	$265	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$900	$180	$1110	$220	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	2303 3rd St.	$1025	$205	$1225	$245	Washer-Dryer/ very nice inside/ large rooms	H
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5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1275	$255	$1450	$290	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	221 4th St.	$800	$134	$1020	$170	North Campus, gas heat, Wash/dry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1560	$260	$1710	$235	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1500	$250	$1700	$283	New location, WashDry	H
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1650	$275	$1800	$300	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1560	$260	$1760	$273	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1400	$200	$1625	$233	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1408	$220	$1625	$232	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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have great game is the dynamic duo Daunte Culpepper and Randy Moss. It should be pass and catch between these two all day, because the Packers' secondary is absolutely horrible. The Vikings need these two to shine in order to pull off the win. All Culpepper will have to do is stay patient and lead his team, because they can't be beat in the Metrodome.

The Vikings need Moss to be rested and quick, meaning his hamstring needs to be in good shape so he can burn the defense.

X Factor:

The Packers have an advantage over the Vikings in not only beating them the first game, but having a better record. The Viking defense is going to have to be ready for this game because MVP Brett Farve is always unpredictable. Farve could be having troubles in the first half of a game but come back dominate in the second half.

The Vikings' defense is going to have to be strong and not let Farve complete many long passes. Covering Ahman Green will also be necessary.

Culpepper is going to have to realize he doesn't have all the time in the world to throw the ball; he needs to pick up the receivers faster in order to avoid losing yards and getting sacked.

Game Predictions

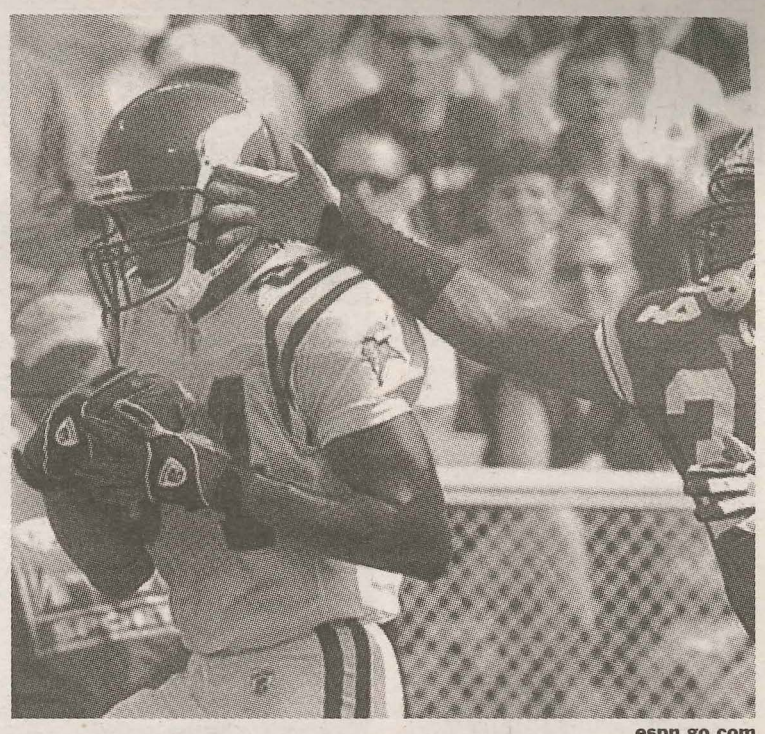
This game is going to be a nail biter and close in scoring. They are mainly passing teams, so I won't be surprised if both Culpepper and Farve have high passing percentages, but neither team has to worry about bad weather conditions because they are playing at the Metrodome.

I feel that if the Vikings drive and pass the ball well, they have a really good chance of winning this game.

I think that by playing at home the fans will give the Vikings a boost of energy and an advantage that the Packers won't have.

Also look for Michael Bennet and Ontario Smith to have break out games in the backfield and wear out the Packer defense.

My prediction of the final score is a 27-24 Vikings' win.



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Randy Moss will need to be at full strength in order to be effective against the Green Bay secondary.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

The season couldn't have started much better for Rhian Paulson and the UW-Stout gymnastics team. Paulson won three events and took the all-around event as the Blue Devils opened the season with a 168.15-156.675 defeat over Winona State on Dec. 9 in Winona, Minn.

Paulson captured the vault and uneven bars with scores of 9.05.

She also took first in the floor exercise scoring a 9.25 and capped off the sweep with a win in the all-around competition, finishing with 35.975. The only event that Paulson did not win was the balance beam, in which she took fourth.

The Blue Devil gymnastics team will resume competition on Jan. 8 when the team travels to Cortland, NY.

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Won three events and took the all-around event to open

Rhian Paulson
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Hockey
(7-4-3)

The hockey team lost to River Falls 4-1 on Dec. 10

Next Game:
Jan. 14 hosting St. Norbert

Men's Basketball
(5-3)

The men's basketball team beat Bethany Lutheran 70-46 on Dec. 13

Key Performers

Kalius Coleman	10 pts
Ryan Stangle	10 pts
Terry Farmer	12 reb

Next Game:
Dec. 20 at St. Norbert

WIAC Standings

1. Stevens Point
2. Oshkosh
3. Eau Claire
4. Stout
5. Platteville
6. Whitewater
7. Superior
8. River Falls
9. La Crosse

Women's Basketball
(6-4)

The Lady Blue Devils were downed by St. Cloud State 90-73 on Dec. 14

Next Game:
Dec. 21 against Union NY

Border Battle

Packers got it in the bag
Santa'a bag...

Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

I hate to be the bearer of bad news, especially during the holiday season. However I have just been informed that Minnesota Viking fans will have the worst Christmas ever.

Minnesotans will have to wake up Christmas morning knowing that their team no longer has a chance to win the division after suffering a Christmas Eve defeat to the Green Bay Packers.

Game Breakdown:

Although the Packers have one more game before heading to the Metrodome, the real battle lies in the race to the division championship and an instant ticket to the playoffs.

Now before you mud ducks begin hunting me down, let me lay out exactly what will need to happen for my predictions to come true. After all, every prediction needs an explanation.

As most sports fans already know, the Pack usually performs rather poorly in Minnesota. Although Brett Favre has a record of 3-9 at Minnesota, he pulled out a victory there last season. Here's hoping he can provide a repeat performance.

Key Player:

Running back Ahman Green will need to have a big day for the Packers. He rushed for 145 yards against the Vikings in the teams' first battle, and he will need to match that if the Pack wants a win.

In addition to pounding out yards, Green will have to protect the football. He is a known fumbler and if he loses the ball on the ground even once, it could mean the game for the Packers. For anyone who doubts that a single fumble makes a difference, refer to the Chicago Bears game where one fumble created a 14 point swing and gave the Bears a victory.

I predict that Green will have a big day against a weakened Vikings defense. Green may not rush for over 150 yards, but his great running ability on screen plays should get him two, possibly three touchdowns on the day.

X-factor:

An x-factor is someone or something that will affect the outcome of the game. In the case of the Packers, the x-factor is the secondary.

The secondary is by far the weakest element of Green Bay's team, and if they don't show up against the Vikings, Packer fans will be able to shut off the game by halftime.

Big plays will be required by every player in the secondary now that Randy Moss has returned to the line up. Covering Nate Burleson and Kelly Campbell will also be a chore, one that Green Bay may not be able to handle. If the secondary can do anything right against the Vikings offense it is this: Prevent the Randy Moss fall down pass interference play.

The play starts with Moss running approximately 40 yards down field; he then proceeds to fall over, point at the cornerback as if it's his fault, thus drawing a flag and getting the offense a pile of free yards that they never earned.

This play works best near the end zone when Moss has the ability to switch over to push the defensive back into the ground variation.

I don't think the Packers secondary can compete with the Vikings offense, and I see three passing touchdowns for Daunte Culpepper. In short, the best defense for the Packers will need be long offensive drives.

Game Predictions:

Although history has proven otherwise, I think the Green Bay Packers should have a solid performance at the Metrodome. Look for Brett Favre to be effective enough to keep his team on the field and get enough help from his supporting cast to extend long drives into touchdowns.

My final score prediction for this game is Packers 35 Vikings 28.

Sorry Vikings fans there is always the wild card.

Vikes will rein in Pack
...like a reindeer on the loose

Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Game Breakdown:

Just this past week the Minnesota Vikings suffered another loss, this time to the Seattle Seahawks. However, it's time to move on because the biggest games of the season lie ahead.

The game this weekend between the Vikings and the 5-8 Detroit Lions is a must win. It is not only an important divisional match up, but it also sets up the game against the archrival Green Bay Packers.

I have no doubt that the Vikings will come out on top against the Lions.

The real game coming up for the Vikings is the match up against the Packers on December 24. This game is crucial for the Vikings, and they need to win in order to stay up in the race for the playoffs.

Key Players

Christmas Eve is highly anticipated as the Viking fans have been gearing up for this game since Minnesota's last defeat to the Packers.

Do you think families will be singing carols together on Christmas Eve? No, they will be watching this game.

On the Vikings' side, the players that are going to have to step up and a

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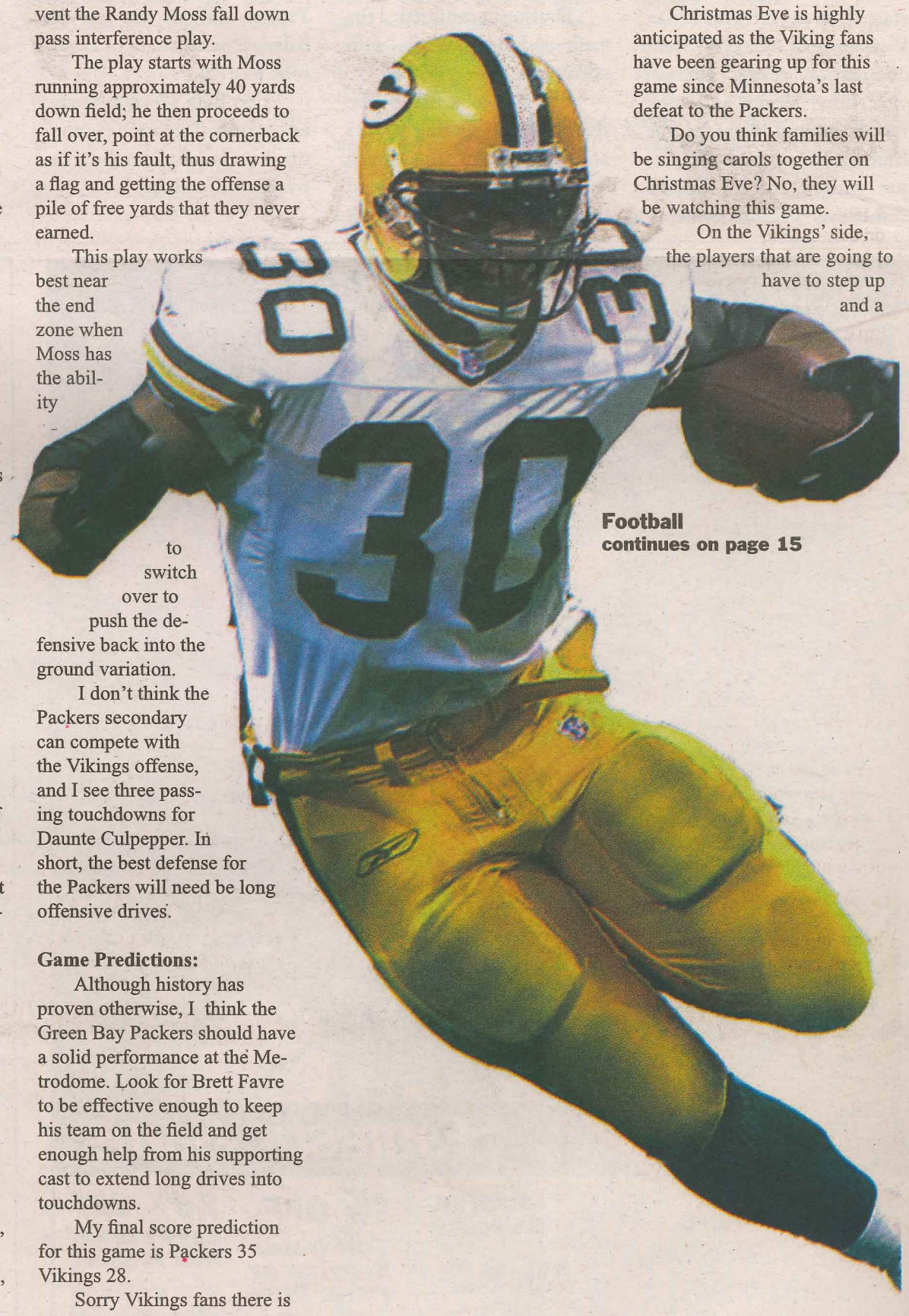

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Ahman Green will attempt to lead the Green Bay Packers to another division title by defeating the Minnesota Vikings on Christmas eve.

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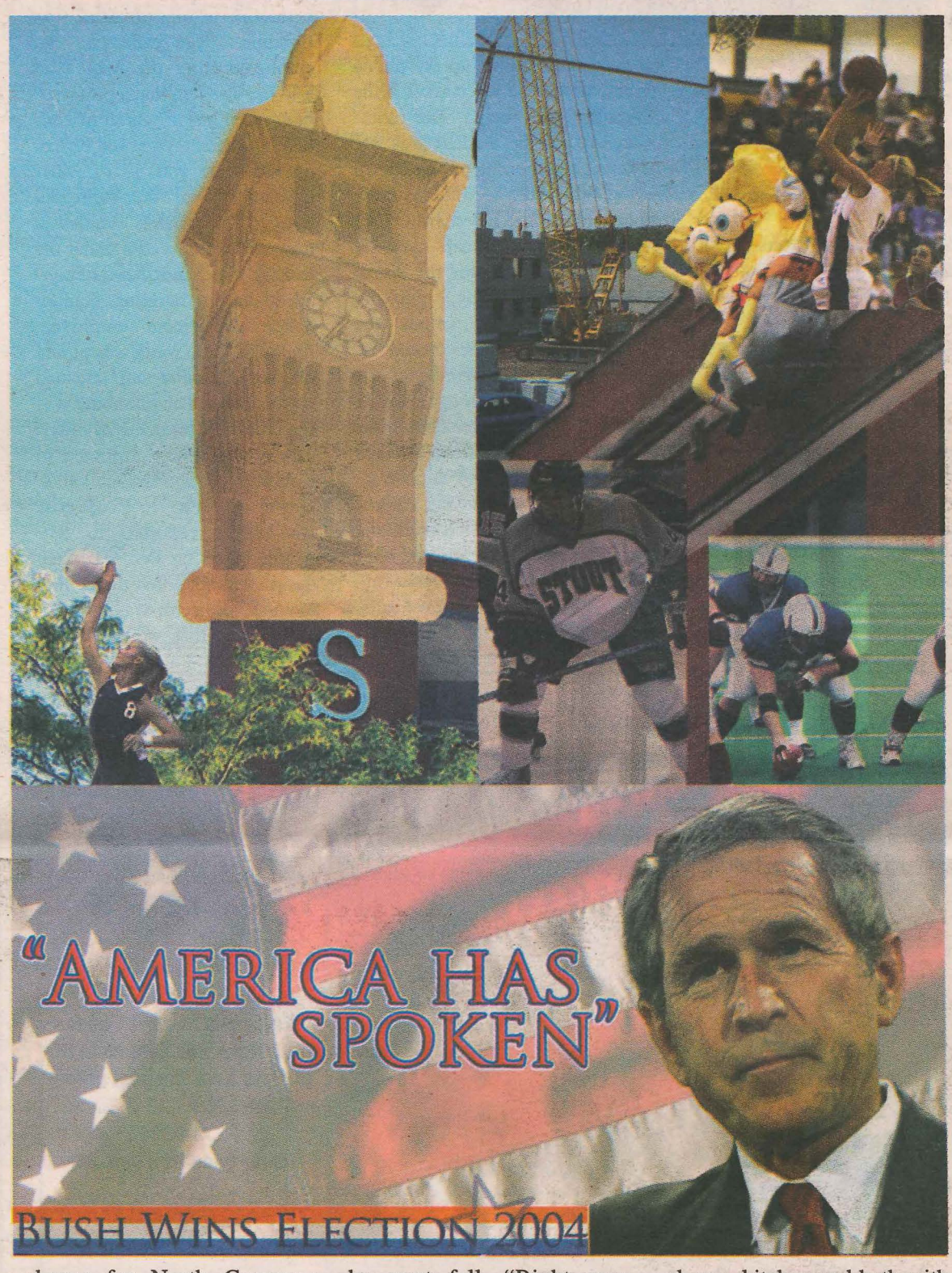


Bush Re-Elected

Over 2,300 voters registered to vote with the New Voters Project at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. As anticipated it was another close election. When it came time to vote the numbers were in Bush's favor. On November 2, 2004 America spoke and re-elected George W. Bush.

This election was not only a victory for Bush but also for the UW-Stout College Repubicans who's core membership jumped from 10 to 50. "[The College Republicans] hard work is what helped Bush win the election," said Matt Linne

Bush emerging as the victor for president of the United States was only part of the election.

Democrat Russ Feingold was able to hold on to his senate seat, winning over Republican Michels with 300,000 more votes.

Democrat Ron Kind was also able to hold on to his seat in congress, winning over Republican Schultz with about 35,000 more votes.

Republican Sheila Harsdorf also maintained her seat in the state senate, beating Gary Bakke in a landslide win with 60% percent of the vote.

Republican Andy Lamb beat Joe Plouff in a relatively close race only divided by 1,377 votes for the state assembly.

"America has spoken, and I'm humbled by the trust and the confidence of my fellow citizens," said George W. Bush in a speech. "With that trust comes a duty to serve all Americans. And I will do my best to fulfill that duty every day as your president."

SpongeBob Stolen

On December 2, 2004 SpongeBob Square pants a beloved cartoon icon was stolen from the Menomonie Burger King roof. Five days later SpongeBob was rescued by the Menomonie Police Department from the top of Harvey Hall. SpongeBob thefts have also been reported in Utah, Minnesota, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin. These reports make many wonder if there is a "SpongeBob abductor."

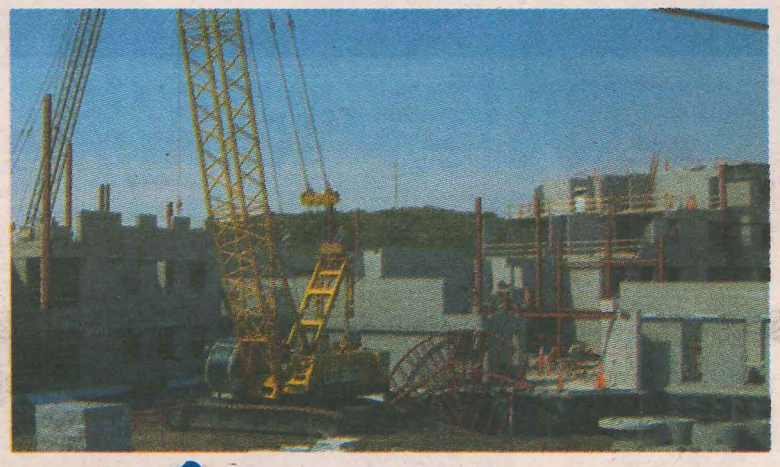
New Assistant Chancellor

University of Wisaconsin-Stout announced Robert Heuermann as the new assistant chancellor. "I am extremely pleased that Bob has decided to join the team," said Chancellor Sorensen in a press release. Heuermann will assist the university with a variety of functions and be a member of the Chancellor's Advisory Council and the Senior Administrative Leadership Team.

New Dorms

Last spring, construction began on a group of new dorms for North Campus. The new dorms are intended to provide students with a variety of living options, as well as attract new students. The new residence hall will replace Jeter-Tainter-Callahan (JTC) Halls, which will soon be torn down.

The structure is currently rising, with heavy equipment working to get the job done on schedule. The new dorm is projected to be ready for occupation by next fall. "Right now we are on schedule," said Scott Griesbach, director of housing and residence life.



The new dorm will house 296 students in a four-person suite format. Each resident will get a single bedroom but share a kitchen and bath with the other three residents of each particular suite. The new dorms will be primarily for upper class students. The committee will develop criteria that will select which students will be able to live in these new dorms.

The projected cost of the building is $16.7 million, which is completely covered by the fees charged by housing and residence life and is not covered by taxpayers.

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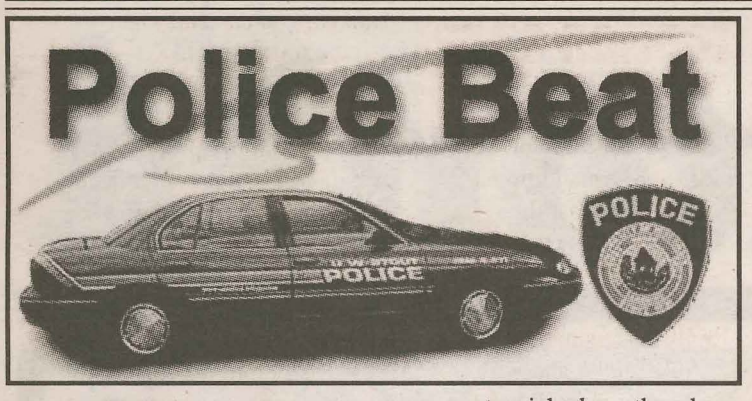


By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Citations for the week of Dec. 13 to Dec. 28
First Offense Underage Drinking: 14
Second Offense Underage Drinking: 2
Third Offense Underage Drinking: 1
Disorderly Conduct: 1

On Dec. 16 a student reported he was receiving annoying phone calls. In the first call, Dec. 15 at 3 a.m., a female voice told the student she heard he had good computer skills and that she wanted him to come over and delete some porn from her computer. In the second call, Dec. 16 12:05 a.m., the student's roommate picked up the phone and the female voice asked if the student was there. The roommate said the student was not there, and the caller hung up. In the third call, 55 minutes later, the student did not answer. The fourth and final call came at 1:30 a.m. This time the phone had the double ring, signifying the call was on campus; the answering machine picked up the call. The student said the caller left a message, which sounded like a female having an orgasm. The officer listened to the message and concurred. The officer advised the student to make a log of the calls and to log any future calls and contact the phone company to find the origins of the phone calls. An officer reported to a complaint at North Hall on Dec. 19. The student told the officer someone had thrown eggs at her door at around 4:30 am. The student does not know who did the vandalism, but she heard male voices in the hallway at the time of the egging.

On Dec. 19 an officer was notified that the 3rd floor women's bathroom in Harvey Hall was flooding. The caller was an employee from the MSC and told the dispatch that a professor had called her in search of contact numbers. When the officer arrived there was 1" of water spilling out of the bathroom door. The officer emptied a trash can and placed it under the leaking sink, and then attempted to call a building maintenance department employee. Eventually, the water was turned off and custodial staff cleaned up the mess. The plumbing was fixed on the following Monday. The problem was attributed to a blown compression valve.

2nd Stolen Projector
An officer reported to 219 Applied Arts on Dec. 21 when the staff noticed that the ceiling mounted projector was missing. The cables that were attached to the projector had been cut. The building and room were open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. A projector similar to this one was taken from Harvey Hall the previous week. The projector is valued at $4,750.

3rd Stolen Projector
On Dec. 27 an officer was called to room 247 Johnson Fieldhouse to report that yet another projector was missing. This projector was also ceiling mounted and the room was open. This explains why tuition is so high.

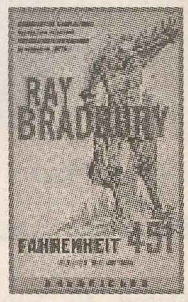
An officer was dispatched to Hovlid Hall on Dec. 22 to remove a motorized bike with gasoline in it from a dorm room. The officer removed and locked the bike to the bike racks at Fleming Hall with a parking services lock. A telephone message was left on the owner's voicemail advising him on the whereabouts of his bike. On Jan. 2 the owner flagged down an officer patrolling the parking lots and asked him to unlock his bike. After the officer unlocked the bike, the owner installed his own lock and told the officer he would remove the bike the next day.

Fahrenheit 451

By Jesse Young

In early spring, all freshmen received letters containing information stating that they would have to read a book over the summer, and they would be given assignments in their classes that would pertain to the book they read. The book is "Fahrenheit 451" by Ray Bradbury.

At Orientation and Registration many new freshmen were told to go to the bookstore, here at University of Wisconsin - Stout, to purchase the book. Many did as they were told, unless they had already purchased the book elsewhere.



An informal survey of freshmen was conducted on campus asking them if they did in fact read Fahrenheit 451. Of the people surveyed, 46 percent either didn't read the book at all or started but did not finish.

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'04 in review

Key Fraud

By Amanda Herr

John Burningham, an associate professor of telecommunications systems, has been formally charged in the university master key fraud incident that took place between November 2003 and January 2004. During that time, police believe duplicate master keys were made to numerous rooms, labs and offices in campus buildings.

> "It is unacceptable for someone to fabricate keys in order to gain unauthorized access to university buildings. It is a very serious matter."
>
> ~ John Enger, Director of University Relations

Burningham is accused of assisting two students, Chad Tomaszewski and Benjamin Franske, with making copies of master keys that could open doors in some residence halls and certain rooms in Bowman, Harvey and Fryklund Halls. Each student was charged with five counts of key fraud.

"We consider this to be a breach of security," said John Enger, director of university relations. "It is unacceptable for someone to fabricate keys in order to gain unauthorized access to university buildings. It is a very serious matter."

Officials were tipped off to these actions by a resident advisor (RA) and hall director in Wigen Hall, where Tomaszewski lived. The RA, Carrie Bloom, noticed Tomaszewski opening a door to a room that was not his.

Burningham was also observed opening many doors in Harvey and Fryklund Halls. He explained to a student, Tonya Namtzu, that he knew how to make keys to the rooms.

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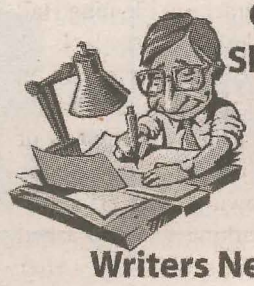

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Wisconsin property taxes are expected to rise more than six percent in 2005. This comes after last year's 4.7 % increase.

The UW System Board of Regents has approved nine UW-Stout professors for sabbatical in the 2005-2006 academic year. In the first semester, Steven Deckelman, David Fly, Mitchell Sherman and Linards Stradins will be gone, and in the second semester, Anne Antonippillai, Alan Block, Donna Stewart and Amy Schlieve will be away. A full year sabbatical was granted to Abel Adekola.

According to the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinal*, more than 1,200 ballots in this year's presidential election came from bad Milwaukee addresses. Suspicious residencies include playgrounds, vacant lots and baseball diamonds. The Election Commissions says 10,000 voter registration cards were not sent out because they were illegible or incomplete; these cards are used to prove voter identity. An additional 8,300 votes were cast than number the city has recorded for people voting.

"Ike Reilly Assassination", a bluesy, folk, punk band with hip-hop word play, will be performing at Huff's at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 3. Maxim Magazine claims the band's music has similarities to musicians such as Bob Dylan, Tom Waits, the Velvet Underground and Def Leppard. "The Melismatics" will perform the opening act.

Milwaukee County District Attorney E. Michael McCann has filed felony charges against five Democrat Party employees, including the sons of U.S. Rep. Gwen Moore and former Milwaukee Mayor Marvin Pratt. The boys and cohorts are accused of slashing tires on 25 vehicles rented by the Republican Party of Wisconsin for the "Get out the Vote" campaign last November.

January is National Stalking Awareness Month. Stalking is a pervasive crime effecting approximately 1.4 million Americans a year. If you or someone you know is being stalked, you can call The Bridge for help: 715-235-9074 or 1-800-924-9918.

A Boy Scout troop in Alabama is being investigated for padding its membership roster. Apparently, there were 20 youngsters with the same last name: Doe. It's speculated that the troop raised it's numbers to receive more funding from agencies such as United Way or to make paid Boy Scout recruiters look better.

J.K. Rowling, author of the famous Harry Potter series, gave birth to her third child, a baby girl. Mother and daughter are doing fine and have been released from the hospital. "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince", the sixth in Rowling's series, is to be released on July 16 of this year.

Ringo Starr, the former Beatles drummer, has joined forces with Stan Lee's POW! Entertainment. In their multimedia franchise, Starr will perform and voice a superpowered, animated version of… himself. In the past, Starr has also preformed as the Narrator on the British TV series "Thomas the Tank Engine." He also appeared as himself on an episode of "The Simpsons."

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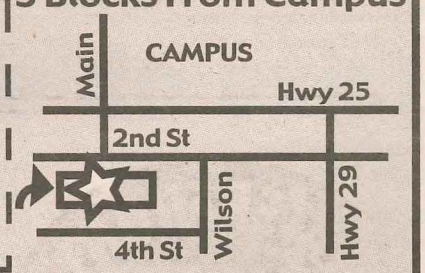

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A look at the winter break calendar

The Stoutonia Staff *Staff Editorial*	23 It's so good to be done with school. It'd be nice to be done with shopping.	24 I can't believe the NFL put the Packers/Vikings game on during church on Christmas Eve.	25 Merry Christmas to all! Apparently Santa is a Packers fan. I got socks from mom again this year.	26 Reggie White Couldn't believe the news that he passed away. He was a great man and tough player.	27 Grandma got me even more socks. Sweet, now I don't have to do laundry for a month.	28 Partied.
29 Drove grandma to the airport. On the way home, I remembered how much fun playing the air drums can be.	30 I pushed a little girl on a sled. I pushed a little too hard.	31 I hit a guy that told me to party like it was 1999. I then proceeded to party like it was '04.	1 I didn't see that incredable hangover coming. I blame the lack of a last call.	2 I just realized that my mom is a DHW.	3 Partied.	4 Watched "The Village." Saw the twist coming.
5 Finally got around to returning all those horrible X-mas gifts. Who buys a college kid a 7th Heaven book?	6 MacGyver on DVD! Amazing. The man makes pocket lint look useful.	7 Still watching Mac.	8 Worked 13 hours today. My paycheck is going to be so sweet. Oh, wait. I'm a server.	9 First ever meeting of the Packers and the Vikings in the playoffs. Go... Vikings? What?	10 Heck yes.	11 Tested tupperware bowls for strength.
12 Never thought I'd laugh so hard at such stupidity.	13 Got mistaken for a kid again today. I'm not sure what bothers me more, looking young, or knowing that I'm not.	14 Partied.	15 Partied.	16 Hungover.	17 Went to the Mall of America. Saw a lot of people from Minnesota.	18 Sat on the couch all day thinking about doing something productive. It was a great day.
19 Went to GoodWill. Bought 23 things. Spent $7.53.	20 Went to Wal-mart at three in the morning. Didn't buy a thing. Just whipped donuts.	21 Shoveling sucks.	22 Packing for home from other home. Just weird.	23 Johnny Carson. Who didn't love him? The man was gold.	24 Adjusting to school. Adjusting.... Just a little bit more...	25 Still adjusting, but at least now I'm... Man school sucks.

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My glorious day of long locks

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Greetings, readers, I trust you all had a fine time over the summer break, and even though this is, in all actuality, our third week back at UW-Stout, this is my first article back at school. Now that all the formalities are out of the way, I can get to the real issues of this article.

Over the summer, while the rest of you chumps were working or riding dolphins or whatever it is you kids do these days, I was doing something truly important; a feat so astounding that grown men weep at the thought of it. I suppose one could say that I underwent a crazy ordeal and sacrificed my very life; or, at the very least, my personal hygiene and appearance. While other college students were working for a living, I was working for the weekend.

'04 in review

In case you couldn't tell by the new headshot that I have in the paper this year, I cut off a lot of my hair. A whole lot. But the fact that I cut my hair would be a pretty lame article, so don't worry, there is more to my writing than that. The unique thing about this haircut I got was that I only got part of it cut off at first. Those of you reading this that just skipped to the pictures right away already know that for one shining day this summer, I had me a mullet.

That's my brother next to me in the pictures, and yes that is a real mustache. For anyone wondering why I did this, the reasons are simple. My brother and I began growing our hair out at about the same time, and soon after we made a pact: that when our hair grew long enough, we would cut it down to almost nothing, but first we would have mullets.

And that's exactly what we did. We also decided to play up the hillbilly look of things and make our own cut-offs. They were so short that the pockets came out the bottom leg of the shorts, but hey, that's the price you pay to look good.

I could only stand to have that haircut for about a day, because I just felt so ugly; as you can clearly see in the pictures, my feelings were dead on. The next day my brother and I got our flowing locks cut all the way off, and the dream died. But who knows what may happen next, my brother is letting his hair grow back again, and I might do the same. I do know, however, that while the spirit of our mullets live on, they probably re-located to a warmer climate for the winter.

Stout student killed in auto accident

Jay Fish
Editor-in-Chief

Heather Johnson of Wisconsin Dells was tragically killed in an automotive accident while traveling home on January 18, 2005. Growing up, Heather enjoyed reading and sports. In high school, she participated in volleyball, basketball and track and earned the Outstanding Female Athlete Award.

Heather was a junior in the art-interior design major at University of Wisconsin-Stout. I got a chance to meet Erik Nordin, a close friend of Heather's, who has known her for the past few years.

"Heather was a great person," said Erik Nordin. "Everybody loved her."

Heather will be greatly missed in the UW-Stout community. She was laid to rest at the West Bend Cemetery on January 23, 2005. For more information on Heather, please visit http://www.pichafuneralhome.com/Heather Johnson.htm

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Time cannot take away our scars

The Stoutonia Staff
Staff Editorial

9/11.

What does it mean to our generation? Is it our Pearl Harbor; is it even fair to compare the two? Didn't they both cause the deployment of American armed forces? Will we eventually forget about this tragic date? Where were you when the towers fell? Everyone has an answer. Bush sat in that classroom for seven minutes. Not sure Gore would have bolted up, but seven minutes?

'04 in review

Did we get the man who scared our nation? Or did we go after the sitting duck that supposedly had Weapons of Mass Destruction?

How can anyone say that we will forget? We are America. We wear our past on our sleeve. No one asks, "How was America formed?" They know. They know that America fought for freedom. They know America, no matter how broken and tattered, or strong and proud, will always fight for freedom.

Three years.
Billions of tears.
Newfound fears.

It's a date that will always hold significance for those who were alive on September 11, 2001. Our lives were changed.

To our generation this shocking event was among the strangest we will ever see. We are a society that watches movies like a religion, and we had all seen a movie were a landmark was destroyed. But if those movies were training for what we saw that day, we were ill-prepared.

Some have said that 9/11 is our Pearl Harbor. Is it even fair to compare the two? Both events cost thousands of Americans their lives and both were surprise attacks.

Pearl Harbor happened while the world was in the grip of World War II. America suffered 9/11 in a time of peace.

Or was it? We were attacked viciously, and we had known that terrorists wanted to strike America. Is that really a time of peace?

It would seem that we are always at war. Human nature would appear to be just too nasty for everyone to get along with each other.

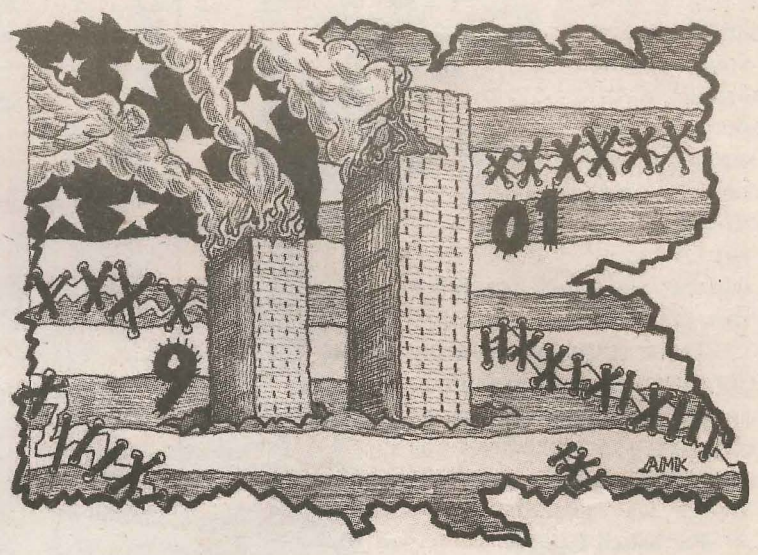
9/11. That was the day we all learned a hard lesson. We, America and all her inhabitants, do have something to fear.

Terror.

Growing up, we saw Desert Storm. We heard about Bosnia, couldn't find it on a map, but we heard about it. We were sad when we heard that an American solider had died. But we still weren't afraid.

After 9/11?

Fear. Yeah, we feel it. For the first time, the fear is real.



But the land of the free is also the home of the world's only superpower. We stitched up our wounds. We changed our views on life and the world and grew up. We proved that the land of the free was shaken, but still the home of the brave.

In our first *Stoutonia* meeting of the year, someone brought up the possibility that our generation would eventually forget about 9/11. Immediately one voice let out the American Spirit, "Like hell we're gonna forget."

For the ladies: why guys act like guys

Curt Trnka
Columnist

Boys will be boys.

Ladies, at no point in your life will you be able to understand guys. Under no magical circumstances will you all of a sudden understand why the guy you like sometimes chooses to play video games, rather than hang out with you.

I'd like to try explain to you why guys do the things they do.

Video games.

Guys love video games. Shooting stuff is fun, but is that any excuse for a guy to play Madden or Halo instead of spending time with his girl? Yes and no.

Most guys grew up playing video games and tend to be a bit addicted. Often, when a guy goes from being single to dating, it is a rough transition from single life to paired life.

In single life, a guy has to worry about which team won last night so he doesn't look like a fool when his friends talk sports the next day.

In single life, a guy worries more about how to beat that level on PlayStation 2 than how many children would be in his ideal family.

This doesn't mean he never thinks about a topic like that, it simply means he isn't ready to give up his childhood as quickly as his girl would like him to.

Sports.

For most guys, it goes like this: hate the Yankees and the Lakers. Sunday is for church and/or football.

Understanding that those two rules govern much of a guy's life will help girls when the guy says, "But the Vikings are on at noon."

When a guy says that to his girl, bad stuff happens.

Ladies, the guy isn't saying he doesn't want to do stuff with you, he's saying that he would like to watch TV at noon for about three hours. But any other part of the day is yours.

'04 in review

"But this is a really important game."

In a guy's head all games are important, but which games are truly big games?

Playoffs, rivalries and season openers are big games. Not much else qualifies.

Baseball's season is 162 games. Guys can miss about 90 percent of those, but football only has 16. Guys have to see 90 percent of those to be considered a fan.

Guys like movies where stuff explodes and 'chicks' wear tight clothes. Guys see those movies and still think their girlfriend is hot.

When a guy grows a beard, the reasoning is that he probably just got lazy and didn't want to shave for a while.

Boys will be boys.

Real American Heroes: Nice people do exist

Curt Trnka
Columnist

Heroes are an essential part of life.

After the election, I overheard someone saying that Dubya was one of her heroes, and I immediately thought how wrong that was.

But I was wrong.

I started to think about all the heroes in my life, how those individuals helped shape the person I am today.

Heroes are very personal. Every hero serves a purpose: some provide strength, and others offer guidance.

Just because I don't agree with having George Bush, "The Sequel" as a role model doesn't mean that girl wasn't right to think of him as a hero.

She probably views Bush as a strong figure who keeps America safe. That's not a bad hero, when you describe him that way. I just happen to think that George Clooney would make a better president.

Heroes. If you look around, you might see a few in your everyday life. People who help other people, contrary to what some might have you believe, do exist.

'04 in review

In most cases, your parents are heroes. They watch over you like a real life Peter Parker. Your friends also can be heroes. In both cases, if you have the right ones, you already know they are heroes. Don't forget to thank them sometime.

A couple of days ago, I was walking towards *The Stoutonia's* quaint little office with my arms full of CDs and newspapers. One of the CDs fell, and no sooner do I turn to pick it up than a young woman was handing the CD to me. She had seen me drop it and swooped down and grabbed it for me. To her, my everyday hero, I say thank you.

How can I tell that she was a hero? Because I needed her help, and even though she didn't have to help, she did.

Think about it. That aide at the lab who saved your butt by getting that printer to print, that aide was your hero.

There is another kind of hero. The kind that we don't find in everyday life, but we wish we could. This is the kind of hero the world turns to when it needs help.

When we were younger, some of those heroes were GI JOEs. Even for girls, the GI JOEs were heroes, and girls knew it.

The "Real American Hero:" the tag line said it all. GI JOE started kids off at a young age with decent role models. GI JOEs always gave 100 percent, never killed anyone and somehow always won. Yo, Joe!

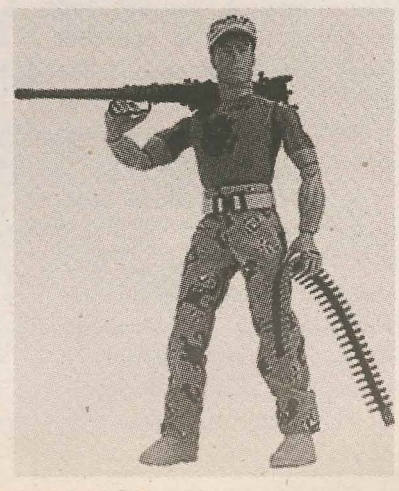
Without these heroic figures to look up to, life becomes gray. Not just GI JOE, but the real soldiers, the real heroes. The people who work the tough jobs, like third shift workers who keep the world running while we all sleep, or the single parent who struggles to make enough money but always provides as much as possible for little Jimmy or Jill.

Real soldiers. We taste the luxury of freedom everyday and owe it all to the men and women and the countless individuals who came before them, who protect our country.

But those types of heroes can't always be there, and when they aren't, we turn to other heroes.

Children often have superheroes to look up to. When I was young, I too felt the pull of comic book heroes, but a universe of fairness and exploration called "Star Trek" fascinated me.

That's right; I was a geek; I was a trekkie. Kirk, Spock and the Enterprise were an hour of possibility, moral teaching and alien women in tin foil bikinis. Perhaps not the best programming for a growing boy, but it taught lessons in acceptance and diplomacy that comic books did not. Plus it eliminated all that messy reading.



Highs, lows and just plain weirds

By Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

'04 in review

As we're all finally remembering to write 2005 on our checks and signed documents, it's hard to forget the year that brought us here. As every year has, 2004 held traditional highs and lows.

This was also the case at the University of Wisconsin-Stout; a painter was published in an art magazine; a motorized cart was vandalized and the infamous "trough" was replaced.

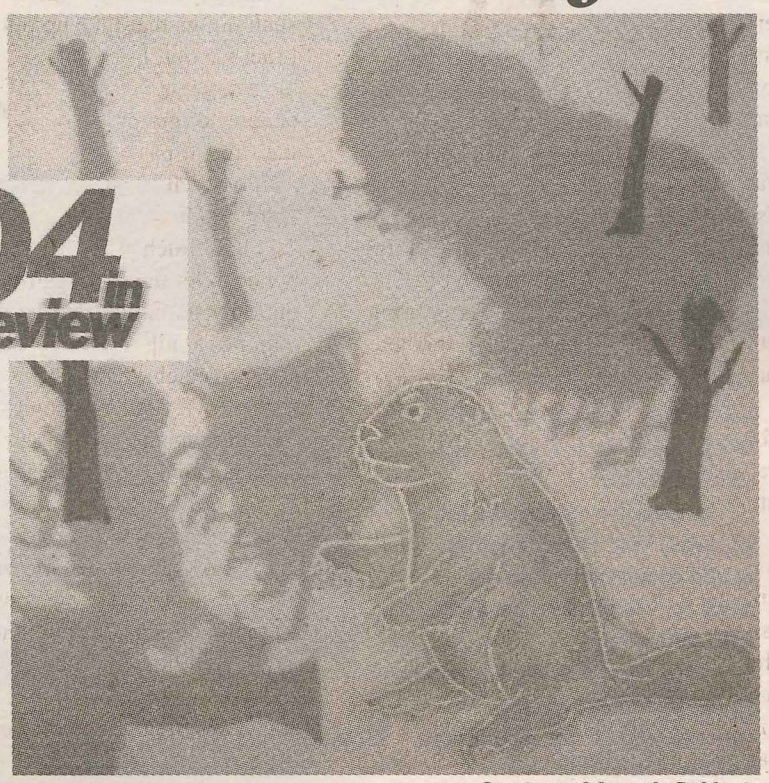
Published Painter

The highs of 2004 were felt by one particular student at UW-Stout, Amanda Dobbratz, who was a senior in fine arts with a concentration in painting during the spring semester of 2004.

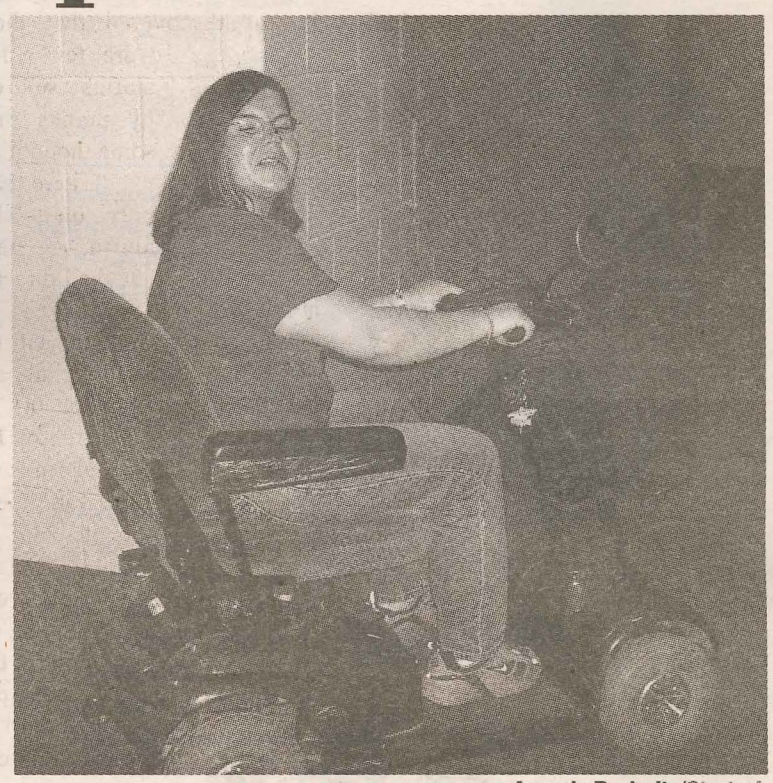
After applying for an appearance in the art magazine "New American Paintings," Dobbratz's work was selected to be published in one of the magazine's Midwest edition.

"This particular publication is highly competitive," said Charles Lume, an assistant professor in painting and drawing at UW-Stout. "Most artists who make it in hold an M.F.A. or have been a working artist for many years or both."

Her paintings focus on subject matter and use humor to exploit the traditional meanings of objects, words and phrases and then pervert them.



Courtesy of Amanda Dobbratz



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

Amanda Dobbratz, a studio art major, felt the high points of 2004 when some of her work was selected to be published in a highly competitive art magazine. On the other end of the spectrum, the motorized cart Cassandra Bourget uses as transportation was vandalized.

"I'm really tremendously excited to be published, but I feel sort of bashful about it," Dobbratz said. "It's a strange dichotomy. I want to be famous, but I don't want anyone to know who I am."

Victimizing Vandalism

A crude act of vandalism impacted the life of one student when the motorized cart she uses for short distance transportation was damaged outside of The Flame on Sept. 23.

Cassandra Bourget, a UW-Stout student who suffers from paralysis on her left side, was disheartened when she found her cart tipped on its side, the lights knocked off, rear-view mirror bent and the small windshield cracked after she had been in The Flame a mere 20 minutes.

"I know people don't respect scooters because they only help some people, but especially drunk people have no respect for the disabled, and

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Serious side effects and risks of constant sleep deprivation

Students who stay up for most of the night are setting themselves up for serious health problems in the future

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

'04 in review

A century ago, Americans went to sleep when it got dark outside and woke up with the sun. Then along came the light bulb, an invention which began to block an important slumber cue in our brains.

Sleep is a basic need too often neglected in our society. Approximately two out of three Americans get fewer than seven hours of sleep per night, a number which is crucial for optimal health, safety and performance.

Each semester, far too many students pull all-nighters, as was noted in an article during the fall semester of 2004. They do so to catch up on homework or to use labs when more equipment is available.

"Last week I had a total of eight hours of sleep from Monday through Thursday," Jim Krueger, a senior in industrial design (ID), said at the time. "At times, I have worked all night in the lab and afterwards walked right over to my 8 a.m. class."

A consistent lack of sleep causes interference with the brain's normal activities. In a tired individual, the brain is less able to keep up with necessary bodily functions that prevent disease and maintain balance.

For instance, weight gain and diabetes can be attributed to a consistent lack of sleep.

"After I turned in my last project I got so sick; I missed a whole day of school," said Shaelyn Benson, a junior in ID.

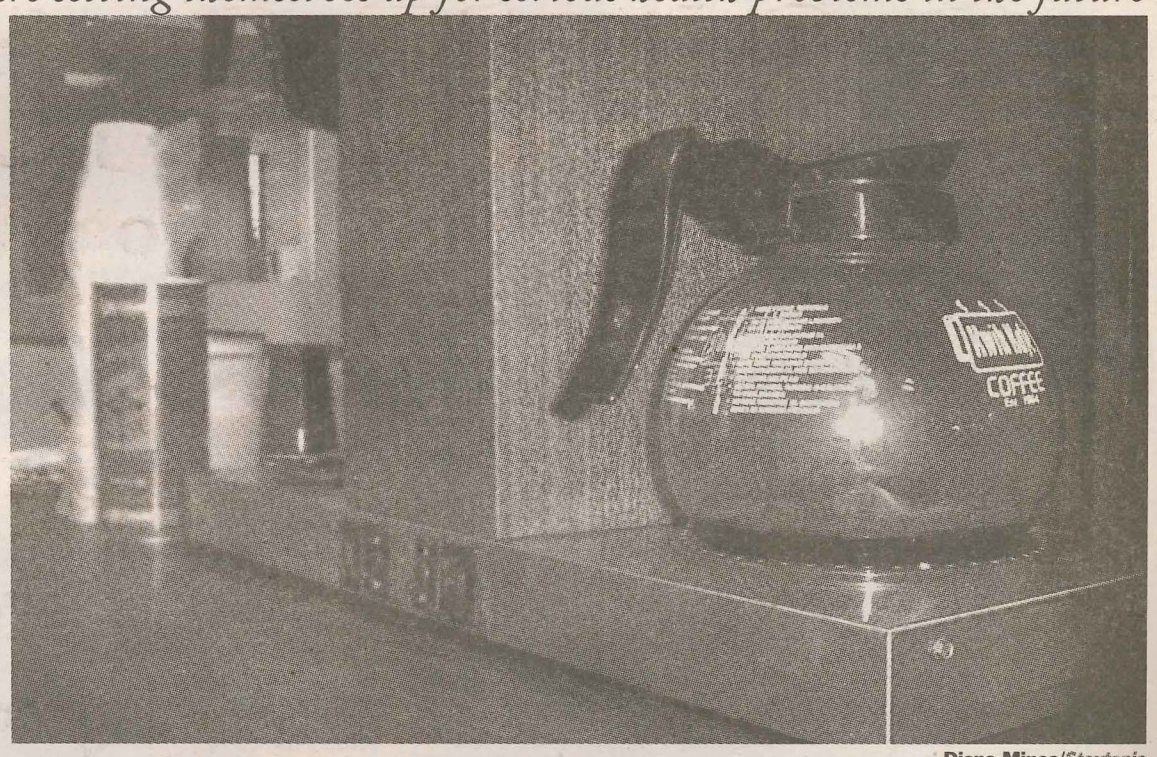
Sleeping periods need to be long enough for the body to enter the deep sleep phase. Deep sleep is a unique time during which the heart rate slows down and the heart is able to rest.

Therefore, a lack of deep sleep over time puts a lot of strain on the heart and can increase a person's risk for a heart attack by about 40 percent.

Sleep deprivation also puts our entire society at risk. When we don't get enough sleep, we don't think clearly; therefore, we risk causing accidents that can hurt innocent people. After 24 hours without sleep, one has the mental acuity of someone with a .10 blood alcohol level.

After studying all night for an exam, one may as well have stopped at the bar beforehand. According to studies, a person who goes without sleep for a day will learn only half as much as a person who gets plenty of sleep.

While we can't always change the demanding nature of our lives, we can consider more healthy sleeping habits. As you begin a new semester, think about the ways you can improve your sleep:



Diana Minea/*Stoutonia*

Sleep deprivation can lead to many health problems such as weight gain, diabetes and heart conditions. Students who get fewer than seven hours of sleep each night put themselves at risk for these problems.

Consider your workload. People have varying abilities, but every person has limitations. Stress from work overload can trigger insomnia. If you feel your schedule is too busy, make changes before it's too late.

Work up a sweat. Vigorous exercise during the day helps wear you out so that you're ready to hit the sheets by bedtime.

Avoid caffeine and alcohol before bedtime. The body can take several hours to expel these substances. Taking them too close to bedtime can have you tossing and turning for hours.

Set the mood. Develop a bedtime routine of relaxing activities such as reading or listening to slow music. Take it slow: give yourself about half an hour to fall asleep.

Be consistent. Try to go to bed and wake up at the same time every night, otherwise your internal clock becomes jumbled.

There are some disspelling myths about sleep.

1. **"I can make it up later."** Sleep is a fundamental need that cannot be "banked." Catching up on sleep can cause vivid nightmares, during which your body is not truly at rest.

2. **"I don't feel tired after sleeping 4-6 hours, so I must not really need much sleep."** There are exceptions to every rule, but most people who don't feel tired on such little sleep have gotten used to feeling tired.

3. **"I don't have time to sleep."** Going without enough sleep leaves the body less time to repair itself; therefore, the body becomes weaker and more susceptible to disease.

With adequate amounts of sleep, we are healthier, safer and smarter people.

Annoying alarms

By Katie Bader
Student Life Writer

Last semester the fire alarms at HKMC residence hall were being set off more often than a toddler's temper.

The excessive fire alarms caused everyone in the building to evacuate and wait outside more than the residents in HKMC would like to remember. They had to wait outside until the fire department arrived and determined it was safe to enter on numerous occations. Students were not happy.

"When I lived in the dorms, I hated it when a fire alarm went off in the middle of the night," said Kendra Busch, a general business senior, at the time of comment. "We would all have to file out of the building into the blistering cold and just wait. It always seemed to happen when I had a test the next day, too."

What is so special about HKMC that the fire alarm there goes off more often than the other dorms? Are the excessive alarms caused by residence pranks? Or by people who just forgot to turn the oven off?

After further investigation, it was discovered that there were fewer fire alarms set off by pranks than some thought.

"There was only one false alarm," said Andrew Busch, the hall director at HKMC.

Good news for annoyed students; fines for such a prank are not cheap, costing over $300.

The reason for the fire alarms was faulty equipment in the kitchen.

"The last fire alarms were caused by food, so they need to fix the kitchen," said Brad Bond, a junior in technical education.

"The fire alarms were just caused by cooking accidents and now there is a new hood fan to prevent those," said Busch.

Now that the ground is covered in snow and no one wants to stand and wait in the cold temperatures outside, this should reduce the high number of fire alarms at HKMC.

More than roses, candy and cards

Valentine's Day pessimists need to re-evaluate their complaints

Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

A day of love and loathing, passion and pessimism, desire and disgust; one day can bring out the best or worst in people.

Valentine's Day is in the air, leaving many people either excited or depressed depending on their relationship status.

This year, more than ever, I have found that a near majority of people detest the holiday, calling it unnecessary, commercialized and demoralizing to singles. I, however, beg to differ.

To me, Valentine's Day is a day of love, and what is so wrong with that? Isn't love what the world needs now?

One may argue that with hundreds of days in a year, we shouldn't dedicate just one day to showing our significant other, or even friends and family, how much we care for them; it should be a daily activity.

Ideally this is true, but realistically there isn't always time to spend quality time with loved ones. Between classes, work, organizations and other such things that take up our time, we don't always get a chance to ignite the fires of passion or even compassion.

It is much better to let the feelings flood out on a stamped calendar date than not at all.

We celebrate Mother's and Father's Day, even though we should love and respect our parents every day of the year.

There is a holiday devoted to dressing up, one to playing pranks on people, and yet another celebrates clovers and all that is green. If these "holidays" are allowed on the calendar, I think we can honor the one committed to an emotion we can't live without.

I realize that when you go into any convenience or grocery store, Valentine's cards, candies and flowers are screaming to be bought for that special someone. Like on any holiday, businesses are just looking for a consumer, but they only have to be as commercialized as you let them; they would never be commercialized if people didn't respond.

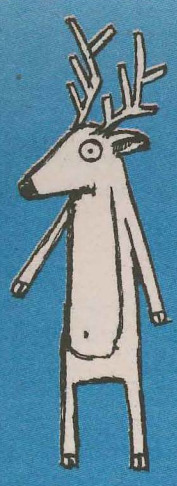
But of course, Valentine's Day isn't fair to the singletons of the world. With all of the lovebirds of the world displaying their affection, they can't help but feel substandard, right?

Those that are feeling inferior on V-Day because of their solo status should take a look at why a day has got them so miserable.

The holiday is the one day out of the year where video stores, bars and malls are full of other singles. Places like this are goldmines for those in search of a companion, since most of the people in relationships will be with their other half.

Singles should also realize that the years they spend the lover's holiday alone make the ones they spend with a mate that much more special.

Any day that inspires couples to put aside their petty differences and focus on the reason they are together in the first place can't be all bad. And if cupid missed you this year, just remember love can be found in numbers both less than and greater than two.



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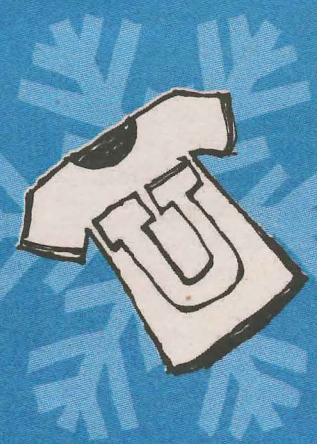

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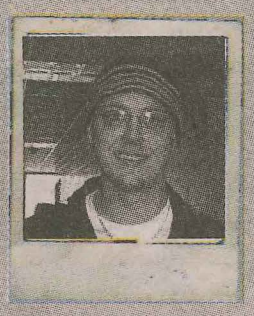
If you could ride one animal to work, what animal would you choose and why?

"A cheetah, because I'm always late and big cats are cool."

Lindsey Ries
Studio Art
Freshman

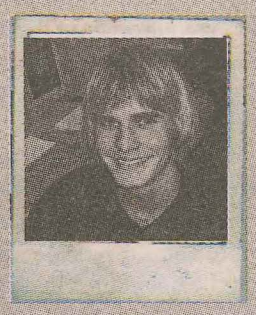


"If I could find a dog high enough, I'd pick that because I love dogs."

Matt Wickstrom
School Psychology
Graduate Student

"An ostrich. They're really big and fast, and I see people ride them on TV."

Michelle Iverson
Early Childhood Education
Junior



"An octopus because it is impossible, and it would just be cool."

Andy Flaker
Graphic Communications Management
Junior

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that's bad," said Bourget soon after the incident.

Three male students helped Bourget around campus by pushing the cart until it was fixed the following weekend.

Police estimated the damages at $1,000.

Ta-Ta Trough

A little piece of Commons history was retired last spring when the unit for removing leftover food and trays from the dining facility was replaced by a more up-to-date system.

The "trough" or "river," as it was lovingly christened by students, had been removing waste for 15 years but had been having problems.

"I'm going to miss the river," said Emily Zahn, who was a sophomore in interior design, at the time of comment. "It is something so unique to our campus, no one else has anything like it."

On the last day of finals in spring 2004, the trough was removed and replaced by a unit called the tray accumulator.

The accumulator is made up of stainless steel boxes that can hold around 120 trays. Students remove paper and silverware and place the tray in the boxes where University Dining Service employees remove them for cleaning.

BEST of Menomonie

Once again, we are asking you the readers to vote on what is the Best of Menomonie. Nothing fancy here, we just tally the votes and print the results.

We will give detailed information on how people voted in our Feb. 24 issue.

So please vote before then and turn your ballot into any location with a Best of Menomonie Balloting Box or at the Stoutonia Office. Thank you.

Best faculty/staff member _____
Best Women Blue Devil sport _____
Best Men Blue Devil sport _____
Best intramural sport _____
Best place to work off campus _____
Best organization _____
Best bank _____
Best drink special _____
Best atmosphere _____
Best bartender _____
Best bar _____
Best pizza _____
Best late night munchies _____
Best hair salon _____
Best grocery store _____
Best liquor store _____
Best date place _____
Best new business _____
Best sandwiches/subs _____
Best video store _____
Best auto repair _____

Best food for the college budget _____
Best entertainment at Stout _____
Best major _____
Best coffee in town _____
Best fast food _____
Best place to work on campus _____
Best fine dining _____
Best scenic place _____
Best police officer _____
Best place to get away _____
Best weekend activity _____
Best Stoutonia Employee _____

The 411

January 27 to February 3

Thursday, Jan. 27
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8p.m., Rec. Center.

Friday, Jan. 28
>**Flamestock,** Pull-up contest during Gymnastics, Johnson Fieldhouse, 7 p.m.
>**Flamestock,** "Let's make a deal" during Hockey, Dunn County Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.
>**Art Show,** 502 2nd St W. Menomonie, 7 p.m., $5.
>**Play: There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., $7.
>**Candlelight Ski,** Red Cedar Trail, 6-9 p.m., free.

Saturday, Jan. 29
>**Flamestock,** Relay Race during Track and Field, Johnson Fieldhouse, 12 p.m.
>**Flamestock,** Hollywood Tan's Toss during Women's Basketball, Johnson Fieldhouse, 3 p.m.
>**Flamestock,** Hollywood Tan's Toss during Men's Basketball, Johnson Fieldhouse, 5 p.m.
>**Urban Hillbilly Quartet,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8p.m., $10 students.

Sunday, Jan. 30
No events

Monday, Jan. 31
No events

Tuesday, Feb. 1
>**Intramural Sports sign-up,** Volleyball, dodgeball, basketball, Johnson Fieldhouse.

Wednesday, Feb. 2
>**Intramural Sports sign-up,** Volleyball, dodgeball, basketball, Johnson Fieldhouse.

Thursday, Feb. 3
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

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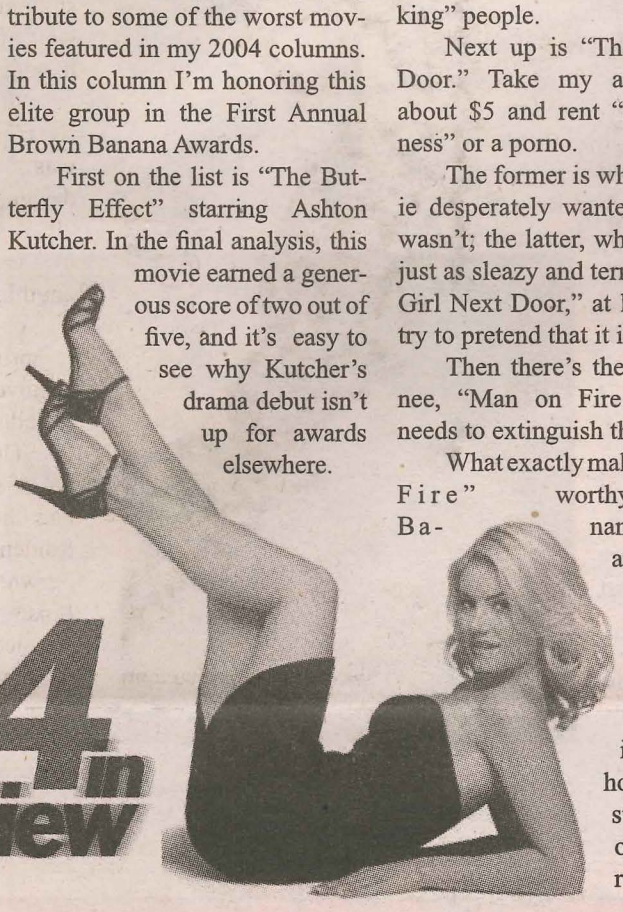
The 1st Annual Brown Bananas

Honoring the worst that cinema has to offer

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

I thought it would be fitting to start the new year by paying tribute to some of the worst movies featured in my 2004 columns. In this column I'm honoring this elite group in the First Annual Brown Banana Awards.

First on the list is "The Butterfly Effect" starring Ashton Kutcher. In the final analysis, this movie earned a generous score of two out of five, and it's easy to see why Kutcher's drama debut isn't up for awards elsewhere.



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It's not that he's terrible; he's just unremarkable. If you pay any attention to Kutcher's eyes, there's nothing going on there. It's just someone reciting lines. Nothing original; nothing new. Add to that the fact that many of the film's unintentionally hilarious moments belong to him, and it's pretty easy to see that our beloved Kelso should stick to "Punking" people.

Next up is "The Girl Next Door." Take my advice: save about $5 and rent "Risky Business" or a porno.

The former is what this movie desperately wanted to be but wasn't; the latter, while probably just as sleazy and terrible as "The Girl Next Door," at least doesn't try to pretend that it isn't.

Then there's the next nominee, "Man on Fire." Someone needs to extinguish this sucker.

What exactly makes "Man On Fire" worthy of a Brown Banana? Basically anything that makes a movie worth watching.

As if knowing how little the story has to offer, the director tries to distract you with every gimmick he can, repeating some elements so often that you could fill a Bingo card with them.

These include hyped-up camera angles, animated subtitles and a percussion-based sound track that makes you want to kill whoever's banging the drums.

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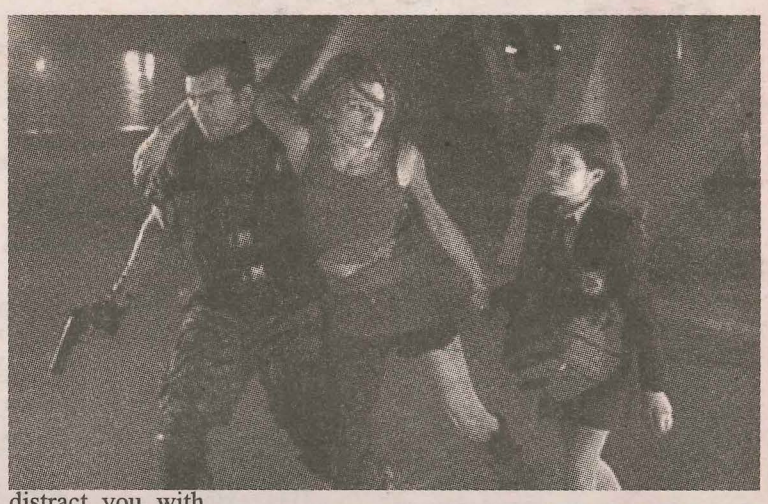

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(above top) Resident Evil: Apocalypse should have been locked up. (above) Man on Fire burned to ashes. (left) The girl next door should go home.

BDP explodes with entertainment

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Where can you find MTV, live drag shows, big name comedians and larger than life porn stars? Look no further than the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus. Thanks to the break-out organization, Blue Devil Productions (BDP).

They set their goals higher than ever this past year, booking more performances and drawing in more students. In February, Naturally 7 came to campus, drawing in 200 students to listen to their R & B style. The best part of the show was when they sang without instruments, creating the music with their own voices and no one could tell the difference. This was only the beginning of an explosive year.

Not only did BDP come out with live entertainment, they also enlightened students with documentaries on their favoite stars.

One of the earliest documentaries of 2004 was called "The Filth and the Fury," based on the Sex Pistols' real life rock and roll experience.

Maybe everyone doesn't remember that documentary, but one that left many viewers with a sense of shock and awe was that of Ron Jeremy.

They say that sex sells, and Jeremy has sold more sex than any other living porn star.

Showing anyone who was interested how he measured up, "The Legend of Ron Jeremy" definitely stood up to all expec-

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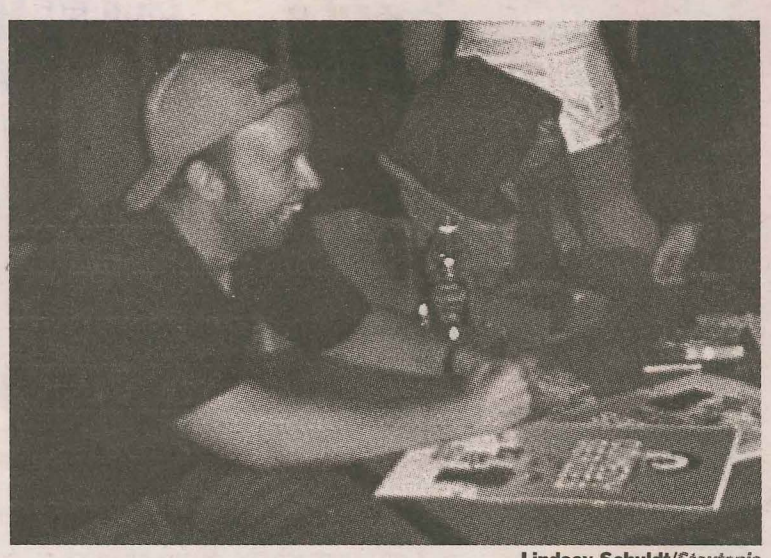

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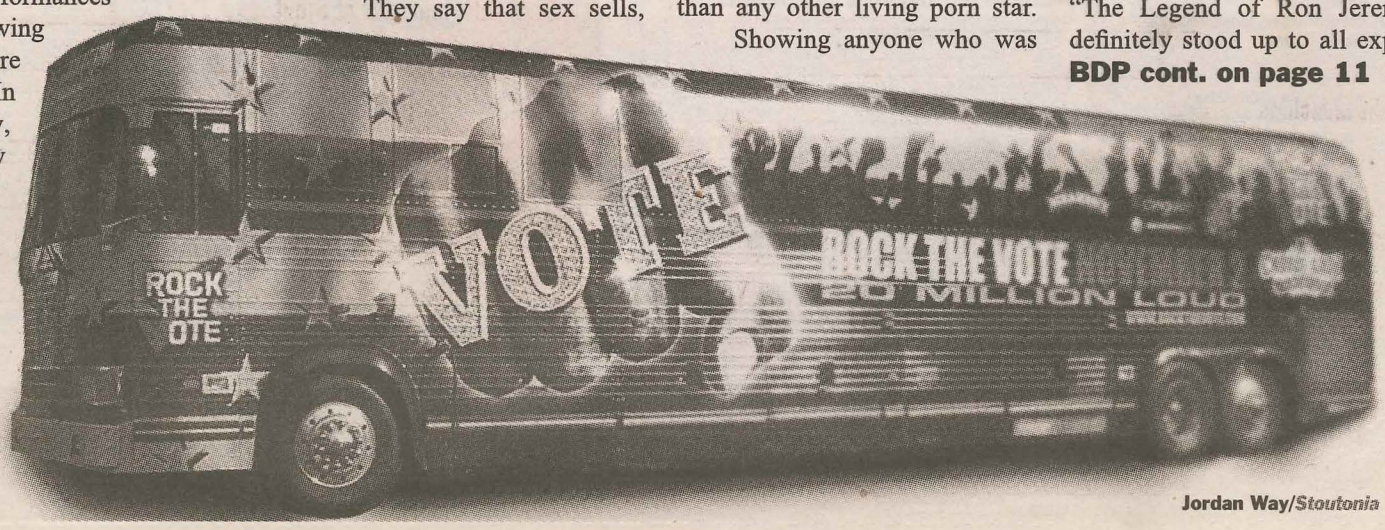

Jordan Way/*Stoutonia*

(above) Kyle Cease, part of BDP's comedy series, brought in big laughs and big fans. (below) Rock the vote traveled in style.

Art that captivated an entire campus

'04 in review

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

As a campus with thousands of art students, it's time their work was revealed. This past year has unveiled many different forms of art, the good, the bad and the ugly. But mostly, the good.

The show, "Works on Paper", turned heads all around campus. This exhibit showcased the art work of Anna Kettlewell and Clive Burton of The London Group.

I have to admit that with the next artist, I really hate his work but can't bring myself to rip it apart. Who am I talking about? Jeredt Runions.

It was entitled: "Life? It's Like That" and was showcased at Jonny Lunchbox and the Acoustic Cafe.

For this I give him a massive amount of credit. At 19, he opened up his work to public scrutiny at an establishment frequented by many art students in a college town with a robust art department. This, my friends, takes great fortitude.

Then there's those that teach the art. The professorate of the art and design department are just as human as the rest of us. More than once I have been down right confused as to why some of the work shown was, in fact, being displayed when other pieces in the show so obviously overshadowed them.

That said, I found myself to be pleasantly surprised that this was not the case within last semester's exhibit.

No single effort stood out as existing in either a state of superiority or incompetence; that is not to be taken as meaning that all efforts within the show were equal. Merely that the show itself existed in a state of ease.

The human figure and all of its intricacies, divots and potholes has been the subject of art for thousands of years. It was also the main focus of the Senior Show Exhibit: Embodied.

This exibit showcased the artistic talents of Laura Sperl, Roland Krager and Cristina Ayala.

If Sperl could be considered to represent God's love and humanity's interaction with it, then Krager was just the opposite.

Krager put forth a body of work that, to call it homoerotic, would be treating it modestly, While Sperl's work seeks to illustrate the relationship between one in need and one who provides.

Ayala's work varies from the two others. Without reading her artist statement, it's very clear that she is inspired by the economy of Henri Matisse. Her use of the figure and various elements within her compositions reflect this economy by illustrating only what is necessary to complete the intent of the work.

One of the most enjoyable events of the art year, however, was the Sketch Off.

How would you feel if you got the chance to see your professors act like squalid little tarts? Many of the art and design students had just that chance during the first Sketch Off.

The event was held by the Industrial Design Association. This was, by far, the best dollar I spent in many, many months. For a nominal price of admission, many of those in attendance had an evening of great fun.

Participating in the event as contestants were professors Robert Atwell, Chad Reichert, Adam Wells, Tamara Brantmeier, Amy Fichter, Jack Zellner and Scott Christensen. Each was supplied with an easel, pad of newsprint paper and Crayola markers and were judged by art students.

Showing that art can actually be fun and funny,

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(above top) Tamara Brantmeier does her best to try and win the first ever Sketch Off. (above) Lauras Sperl's paintings help to reflect her views of God.

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BDP / *rockin'*

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tations of a porn star's life.

The third annual Throw Parties not Bombs had the political edge needed to prepare students for the politcal freenzy that was about to take place over the summer.

Lucky Boys Confusion was headlining the concert. The line up for this group alone was $7,000, yet it was completely free for all students to attend.

BDP helped to sponsor Rock on the Red Cedar, which brought in amazing acts in the first year.

This two-day event provided a wide range of musical talent. This included an 80s hair band, to an AC/DC cover band. The main event, sponsored by BDP, was a KISS coverband that lacked nothing in the entertainment department.

Kyle Cease, better known as Bogie Louinstein in the movie, "Ten Things I Hate About You" gave the comedy series a big boost, only to get better as the year progressed.

Homecoming week brought in brilliant talent from real drag queens and students alike, as well as the talent of comedian Reno Collier and the Black Eyed Snakes.

Of course, you can't forget the newly developed Blue Devil Lounge. Though it didn't start until the fall semester, every Thursday, BDP promised crowds a free event to attend.

The biggest event BDP helped to bring in was MTV with Rock the Vote, a politically charged concert that encourages students to voice their opinion.

This national event only stopped at two schools in Wisconsin and brought in around 1500 students and curious residents. Rock the Vote was an experience that many will never forget.

Does all of this sound too good to be true? Not in the land of BDP. Last year managed to top all others. This upcoming year we'll see just how much more they have in store for us.

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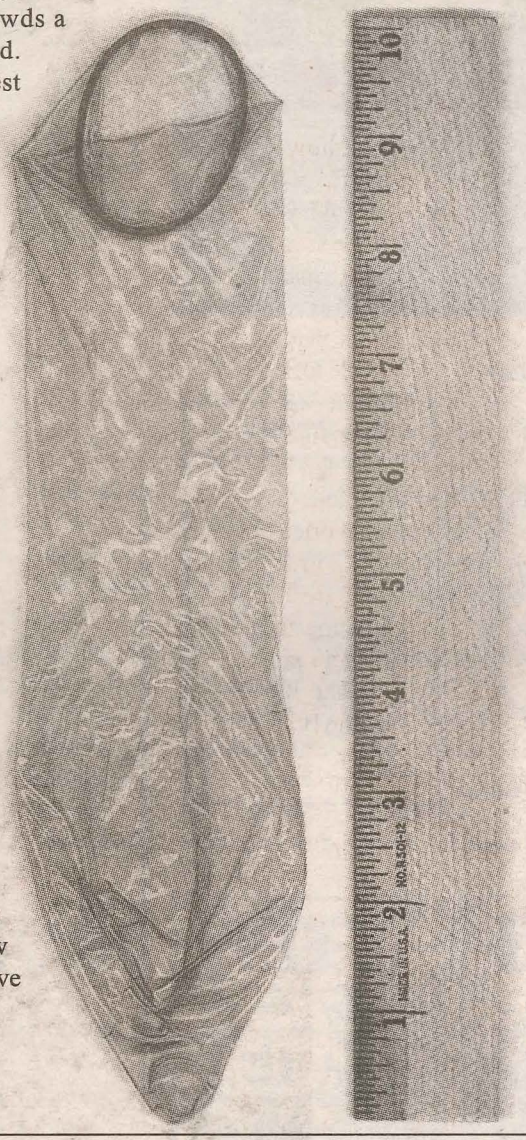

Movies / *bad*

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(above) Ashton Kutcher is neither funny nor convincing in "The Butterfly Effect." (left) Ron Jeremy is still measuring up.

thing that makes your head bang is bad sequels, like our last nominee. "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" could give an entire nation migraines.

The entire movie plays like rejected cut scenes from the "Resident Evil" video games. It's predictable, gory, garish, badly acted and contains some of the worst editing this side of MTV.

You know the saying that "if you give monkeys typewriters and enough time, they'll eventually turn out the works of Shakespeare?" For this movie, I'd say it took four chimps, some crayons and three hours.

And the winner is:"Resident Evil: Apocalypse." I've seen some bad movies working for the Stoutonia, but this one has earned a special place in my heart. The first "Resident Evil" was bad but contained some fun moments. This one doesn't even have that.

Some have come to this movie's defense by saying it's an action movie. Yes, it's an action movie, and there are many good action movies out there. This just isn't one of them.

For sheer soullessness, money-hunger, and all-around bad filmmaking, congratulations, "Resident Evil: Apocalypse," you've won the Brown Banana of 2004.

I really do enjoy cinema. I just hope in 2005 I'll have better cinema to enjoy.

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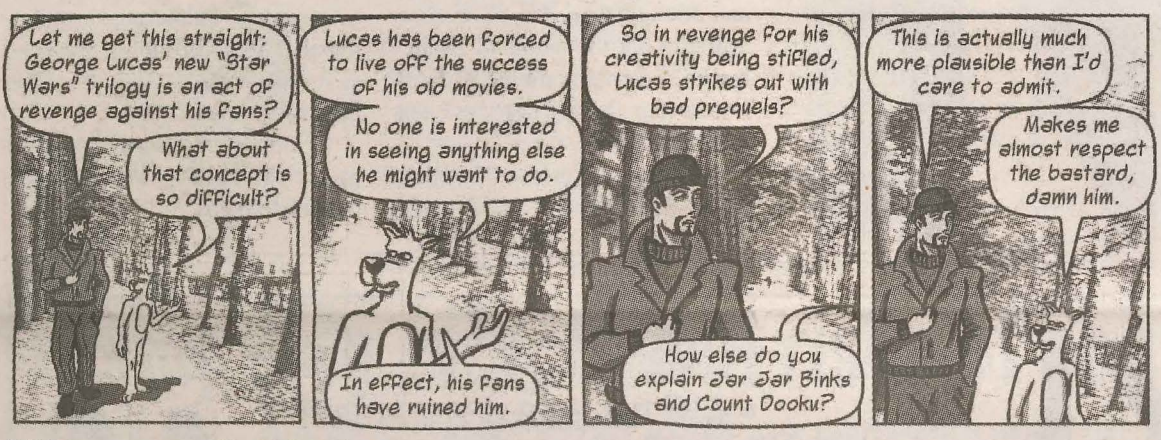


Wings of Change by Mari Rose

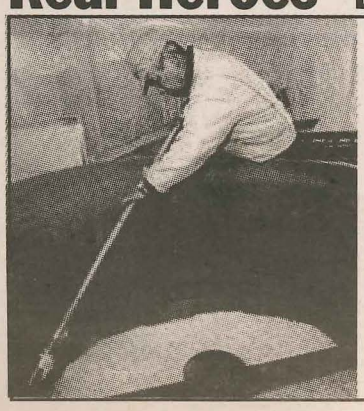
Ungraceful by alk

Errm…not really a comic this week. I, um, don't have my laptop that has the programs I use to make my comics with. Heh. The laptop is on an, um, "extended vacation". So instead, look at this cute little picture of Sarah sleeping with her stuffed penguin.

NOW YIELD AND WORSHIP THE CUTENESS. SUBMIT! SAY!!!

Heh…right. -_-

Real Heroes By C. Michael Trnka



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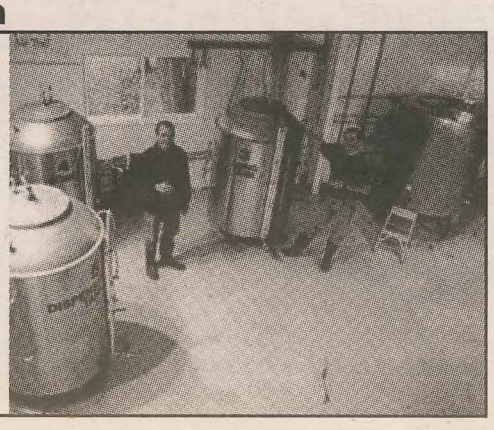

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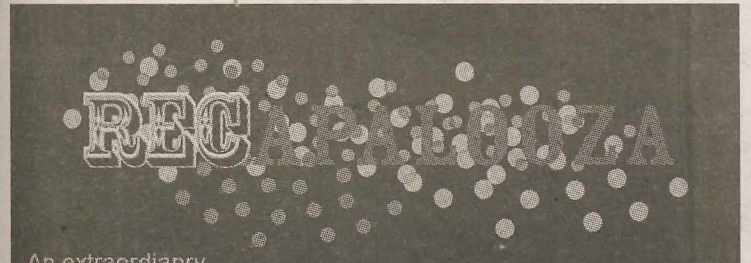

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A review of 2004 athletics

Football

Record: 5-4
WIAC finish: 6th (3-4)
Fast Facts: The Blue Devils football team outscored its opponest 251 to 186 this season.

The defense accumlated 21 sacks on the season.

Quarterback Nick Ohman led all backs in rushing with 892 yards.

Seniors: Seth Mattison, Jordan Sinz, Nick Ohman, Luke Rykal, Travis Phillips, Chris Ryder, Trevor DeLong, Mark Sobotta, Matt Sprester, Ross Jones, Todd Reames and Noah Mayer.

Softball

Record: 27-16
WIAC finish: 2nd (11-5)
Fast Facts: The Blue Devils softball team has a record of 10-2 on the road, and only a record of 1-5 at home.

The team had a batting average of .294 on the season.

Kala Wold had a batting average of .493 and had a 18 game streak with at least one hit.

The Blue Devils will return seven starters in the 2005 season.

Senior: Kim Caswell.

Soccer

Record: 15-3-2
WIAC finish:
2nd (6-1-1)
Fast Facts: The 2004 season was the best season in history.

The Blue Devils had the sixth highest offense out of the 400 schools in Division III.

The team tied a school record for shutouts (10).

Seniors: Andrea Arvold, Carrie Schrank, Krista Hight and Melissa Ballweg.

Volleyball

Record: 31-5
WIAC finish: 2nd (6-2)
Fast Facts: The Blue Devils won 17 matches straight. The team also won 22 matches by a 3-0 sweep.

Seniors: Brooke Viegut, Tanille Hartwig, Erin Heger, Scooter Aspen, Kjersti Hamlin and Lindsay Mensink.

'04 in review

Intramural block 3 sign-up info.

Registration for first half starts on January 31st. Due to the recent Web problems on campus, check the office to sign-up for the following sports:

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Stoutonia's Athlete of the Year

Senior, midfielder Carrie Schrank has had a more than spectacular carrer in her four years playing for the Blue Devil soccer team.

In her final season as a Blue Devil, Schrank scored eight goals and had nine assists. She also holds the school all-time assist record with 42, along with leading all Division III players in assists per game.

Along with local recognition, Schrank has also recieved attention on the national level.

Schrank was named to the 2004 ESPN Academic All-America first team. She recieved this honor for her play on the field and her excellence in academics.

She also was named to the 2004 NSCAA/Adidas All-Region soccer team.

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Illinois breaks Badgers win streak

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

It was once stated that all good things must come to an end.

For the Badger men's basketball team, their 38 home game winning streak ended on Jan. 25 when they were defeated by the University of Illinois.

The winning streak was the longest currently in the nation, and it was no easy task for Illinois to take the win.

Overall, the Badgers had not been beaten at home since March of 2002, and the team had only trailed at home for 24 minutes over the course of the streak.

While a defeat to a Big Ten rival may leave a bitter taste in the mouths of the Badgers and their fans, they can take comfort knowing Illinois is the top ranked team in the country and is on a 20 game win streak.

Had the Badgers won, it would have been the first time they beat a top ranked team since 1962.

Alando Tucker led Wisconsin on offense, scoring 16 points. He also made a key drive to the basket to give the Badgers a 64-61 lead with only four and a half minutes left in regulation. Sharif Chambliss was second in scoring with 14 points.

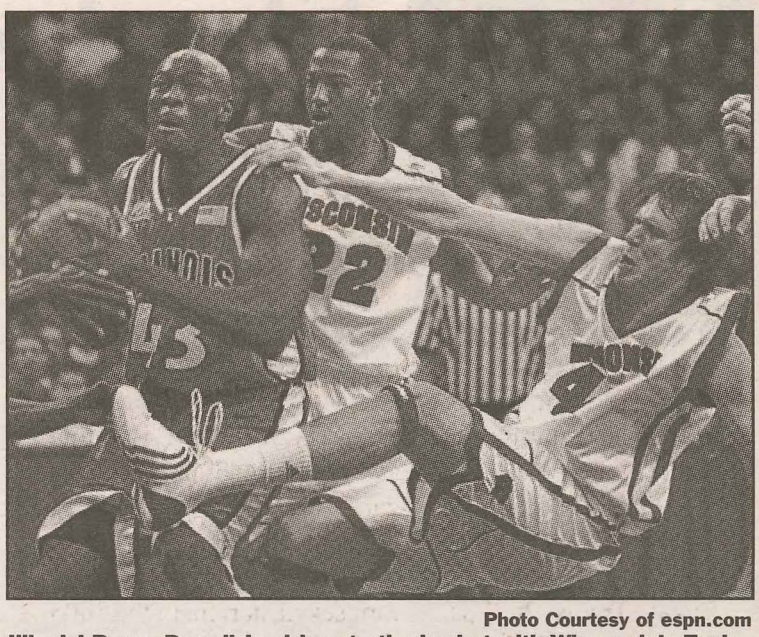
The top team refused to back down as a couple of Illinois free throws put the team ahead for good. Illinois scored 14 of the final 15 points and extended their lead to 75-65 by the end of regulation.

Turnovers and poor shooting plagued the Badgers throughout the game. Wisconsin gave up eight points to turnovers in the first half alone.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Badgers managed to keep most of the high powered Illini in check.

Luther Head was the lead scorer for Illinois, putting up 18 points, followed by Deron Williams who scored 13 points.

The season remains tricky for the Badgers who will play five straight Big Ten games, including a border rival match with the University of Minnesota.



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Illinois' Roger Powell Jr. drives to the basket with Wisconsin's Zach Morley (44) and Michael Flowers (22) defending in the first half.

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Stout stays hot over winter

Blue Devil Scoreboard

Men's Basketball
(14-4)

The basketball team won 68-49 against Upper Iowa on Jan. 25

Next Game:
Jan. 29 hosting
Stevens Point

Women's Basketball
(13-5)

The lady Blue Devils defeated River Falls 69-65 on Jan. 223.

Next Game:
Jan. 29 hosting
Stevens Point

Gymnastics

The gymnastics team placed second at the Eau Claire Invitational

Next Match:
Jan. 28 hosting
Winona State

Hockey
(8-8-3)

The hockey team lost 2-1 in overtime against Superior

Next Match:
Jan. 28 hosting
Superior

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

While many students spent the winter break relaxing and enjoying time away from campus, the Blue Devil athletic teams continued to battle through their schedules in hopes to get a top spot in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC).

Men's Basketball

To say that it has been an impressive stretch of games for the Blue Devil basketball team would be an understatement. The Blue Devils won seven games over the break before being downed by the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

Over the course of the wins, UW-Stout had a chance to travel to South Padre Island, Texas to play two exhibition games, winning both easily. The team returned to Wisconsin and came up with big wins over conference rivals the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

Now the team is at the halfway point of the season and the outlook is still good. The Blue Devils currently have a 14-4 record with a 6-2 record in the WIAC, which puts the team only one game out of first in the conference.

Besides getting local recognition, UW-Stout is ranked nationally as well. The Blue Devils are currently ranked 18 according to Division III hoops and hold a 7th place ranking according to Massey Computer rankings.

The Massey Computer rankings have also listed the Blue Devils as having the toughest NCAA III schedule out of the 430 schools that participate in Division III basketball.

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

The hockey team currently has a record of 8-8-3. This weekend the team will be hosting UW-Superior. In the last matchup, the Yellowjackets stole a close game from the Blue Devils, winning 2-1 in overtime.

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

The men's basketball team is on a hot streak, winning six of the last seven games. The team hosts UW-Stevens-Point on Saturday.

Fans of the Blue Devils have also been devoted. UW-Stout ranks first in total attendance for all WIAC schools. Over ten thousand people have already come to see the team play, with a season that has been successful thus far the fans will continue to crowd Johnson Fieldhouse.

Women's Basketball

After sealing a couple of wins in the Division III Desert Shootout in Las Vegas on December 21 and 22, the lady Blue Devils got a short break. However, the team did not let down time affect their play.

When the lady Blue Devils returned to action on Jan. 5, they defeated the University of Wisconsin-Superior and three more conference rivals including top ranked UW-Oshkosh 88-58 putting the team on a hot streak as the mid-season approaches.

The lady Blue Devils have won five of their last six games and currently are third in the conference with a record of 5-3. Their overall record is 12-5.

The rest of the regular season is nothing but conference action, giving them a solid chance to move up in conference ranking and add to WIAC all-time win leader Mark Thomas's record.

Hockey

The Blue Devil hockey team will be looking to find the rhythm as they close into the final six games of the season. The team currently holds a record of 8-8-3 overall but still have much conference and Northern Collegiate Hockey Association play left.

In the team's last game, they faced a tough UW-Superior team and came up just short of victory with a 2-1 loss in overtime. However, the Yellowjackets travel to Menomonie this Friday and the Blue Devils will get another shot at the top team in the conference. The Blue Devils will then have to endure a three-game road stand before closing out the final two games of the season at home.

Gymnastics

New head coach Bryan Rottier may have only gotten a glimpse of his team in action thus far, but with a group that consists of only one senior, this squad will build a lot of experience on top of what already has been proven to be a talented group.

The team opened the season on Dec. 9 with a win at Winona State. It was almost a month later before the team resumed competition. The Blue Devils came back to place second at the UW-Eau Claire invite.

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Saturday

Track and Field 12 p.m.
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Saturday cont.

Women's Basketball 3 p.m.
Jeff and Jim's Best Seat in the House: Sign-up when you enter the game for a chance to win a game seat on the sofa and a 20" pizza from Jeff and Jim's.
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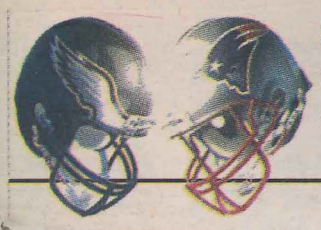

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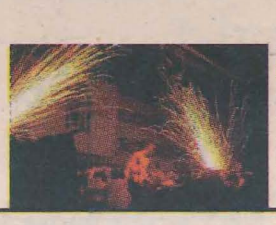

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SSA proposes change to alcohol rule

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

There is not much denying that drinking is woven into the culture of University of Wisconsin-Stout. With 25 "first time" underage citations just this week, it is safe to say that students enjoy a drink or two every once in awhile.

Being somewhat of a problem, there have been numerous efforts to curb problem drinking, from greater enforcement to the formation of the Coalition of Problem Drinking.

In addition to many other methods to curb problem drinking, the SSA has not allowed any recognized student organizations to have alcohol at its functions. This includes all fraternities and sororities, as well as many non-varsity sports and other recreation clubs. Some clubs abided by this prohibition, but many had "illegal" parties, as evidenced by SSA sanctions against Phi Omega Beta last year, due to a party, as well as many others gone unnoticed.

"You should use education instead of enforcement for a problem," said Brad Stafford, student body president of SSA, referring to our current method of dealing with problem drinking.

Stafford recently proposed that the SSA change its policy on organizations using alcohol, and instead allow the use of alcohol with inherent responsibility, in order to foster good drinking habits.

"For the university and police to hand out tickets doesn't do anything," said Stafford.

While still in the planning stages, Stafford wrote this proposal based on similar plans from many other universities.

The proposal has been presented to the SSA and the Alcohol Policies Committee for comment and revision, and a final draft is scheduled to be ready within two weeks.

Within the proposal, there are a number of restrictions on organizations using alcohol, primarily to foster the responsible use and not just to simply allow parties.

"You could have a party and not be worried about it," said Stafford.

While the proposal would allow alcohol use, it still prohibits all forms of underage drinking, purchasing of alcohol

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First Year Experience more than just dorms

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Editors Note: This is the first installment of a multi-part series outlining the intricacies of this large new program. Many of the details are still being worked out in subcommittees. Further articles will be published as information becomes available and components of the First Year Experience program are finalized.

Early on, University of Wisconsin-Stout's First Year Experience program received a lot of attention from students, as some very visible changes were made to the infrastructure of campus living, primarily due to the two separate campuses that make up UW-Stout. However, the First Year Experience program at UW-Stout is on track to be much more than simply grouping the incoming students together in their living situation.

"We have very few plans that are permanent," said Joan Thomas, assistant dean of students. "We are looking at what things we can do for fall that are realistic."

Implementing a program this large takes considerable effort, and currently four subcommittees are working on solid plans.

The entire scope of the plan calls for a drastic increase in services and programs that help the incoming students, as well as work with them to make sure that their personal needs and concerns are being met.

Proposed changes include adding many services directly into the dormitories, such as academic advisors, classrooms, tutoring, police, health, registration and financial aid. Proposals to change or add programming include peer advising, study sessions in residence halls, faculty within the dorms to work with students, block scheduling of classes, stronger connections with parents and even having lunch with instructors.

Initial student reaction to the program was less than positive, mostly due to the concern about dorm separations and sophomores and upperclassmen being mostly on North campus. Students interested in living on South campus were given the option of also living in North Hall. However, students seem to have embraced the change.

"Only seven spots were left on North campus [after dorm sign-ups]," said Scott Griesbach, director of Housing and Residence Life. "North Hall is less than half full."

One concern for the initial plan, and of student government ,was that students were not involved in the decision making process, and it may be difficult to "sell" current students on moving to North campus. However, it appears students are embracing the idea based on dorm sign-ups.

First Year Experience, a term brought to life by John Gardner at the University of South Carolina is used to describe a variety of programs meant to help "students in transition" make the switch to college life.

Back in 1972, Gardner started a program called University 101 at USC, to help students assimilate to college life easier.

Today, more than 70 percent of colleges nationwide have some form of programming to orient students to the college lifestyle.

UW-Stout has had orientation programs in place for some time, however, not at the level of many First Year Experience programs at other universities.

Designed to help a variety of problems such as retention and academic success, these programs aim to provide the services needed to first year students by working closely with them, many times on an individual basis.

Also, students are being added to the subcommittees that will be forming the program this spring.

Being a very large and complex project, it will take considerable time before a concrete plan is in place, and according to Griesbach, more information will be forthcoming this spring as committees meet and begin to formalize the services and programs that will be offered.

Projectors stolen from classrooms

13 projectors valued at $55,000 have been removed

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

In order to be on the forefront of applying technology to learning, the University of Wisconsin-Stout has invested in many different technologies to enhance the learning environment of the students.

From laptops to digital cameras, these compact items are usually of high value, and very portable, making them an easy target for thieves. Considerable thought and precaution goes into making sure these items do not disappear, including elaborate checkout procedures and short rental times.

Many other larger items are equally as valuable, and are usually locked down to prevent theft, so there is not as much control going into regulating their use.

While security measures typically prevent expensive items from being stolen, thieves proved on Monday, Jan. 24, that locks are only a deterrent from removing the property.

"Eight LCD projectors were stolen from five buildings," said Lisa Walter, Chief of University Police. "They are estimated at $3,500-$5,000 retail value for each one"

The projectors, used by professors and other faculty to project computer screens at much larger sizes in front of a class, are typically hung from the ceiling of the classrooms. They are locked with steel cables to help prevent theft, but the cables can be severed with certain tools.

The net loss to the university is estimated at $32,000 for the projectors, not including repair of the mounting systems or electrical cables.

There is a $1,000 reward being offered for information relating to this incident that lead to a conviction.

Projectors in classrooms are typically funded by Learning Technology Services, but some are purchased by specific departments for their own use.

According to Jimmy Guenther, Technology Support Coor

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By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Citations for the week of Jan. 23 to Jan. 30
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Caution with machinery
On Jan. 12, a grounds employee was removing snow from the sidewalk of Johnson Fieldhouse. While backing up the Holder C9700H Sweeper, his foot slipped off the brake and hit the gas. The machine slammed into an emergency exit door of the building. The result was a bent and pushed open door. No one was injured in the accident.

Now Tustison is haunted
An officer was dispatched to Tustison Hall on Jan. 15 when an anonymous caller observed that a TV was on in a room on the third floor. No one was supposed to be in the building, so the officer knocked on the door and entered the room to turn the TV off. The officer proceeded to search the rest of the building, but found no one. The hall director said that all of the rooms had been checked after the students had gone on break and nothing was left on.

Computer theft averted
On Jan. 26, a staff member reported an attempted computer theft in Voc. Rehab. When he entered the room he noticed that a computer was pulled off the desk and a cord was removed. Additionally, the metal tab on the computer for locking it to the desk had been twisted off. The staff showed the officer an exterior door that did not shut properly as a possible route of entry.

On edge for projectors
A faculty member reported a possible projector theft on Jan. 26, in Jarvis. The staff member noticed the room was unlocked and wires hanging from the ceiling. It appeared as though someone was installing mounting brackets for a projector. A projector was also locked to a cart in the room and the wires in the ceiling had not been cut.

That is a lot of copies
A student reported losing her Stout One card on Jan. 27. The student said someone had charged $20.60 to card at the library copying machine. The Identification office was notified of the missing card.

Always picking on the biker
On Jan. 30, an officer on patrol observed a male cyclist traveling north from Harvey Hall at a high speed. The cyclist also was wearing a very large backpack. The cyclist was stopped and turned out to be a student. The officer informed the student of the recent thefts and agreed to allow the officer to see what was in the overstuffed backpack. None of the contents were of an unusual nature.

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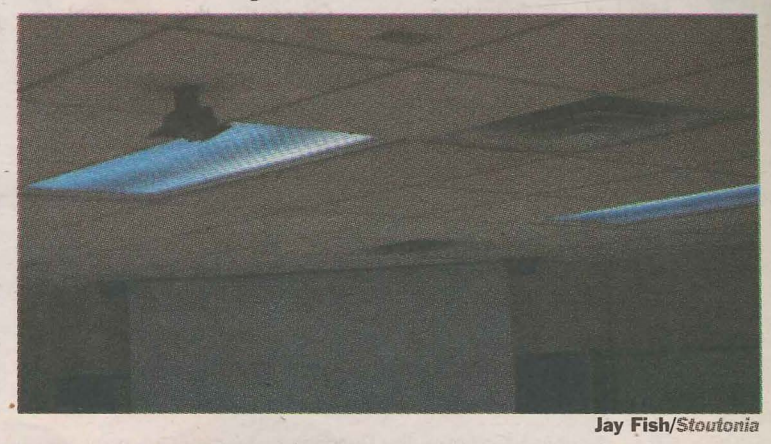

Jay Fish/*Stoutonia*

An empty mounting post hangs in Home Economics 460, from where one of the projectors was stolen on Jan. 24.

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dinator for Learning Technology Services, 13 total projectors have been taken since the end of last semester, including the eight taken last Monday. Learning Technology Services had funded 11 of those 13 that were stolen.

Guenther estimated the total loss to Learning Technology Services to be around $55,000.

"Replacements have been ordered," said Guenther.

Currently, instructors are using laptops with portable LCD projectors in rooms that were affected by the thefts. Instructors were also asked to begin using Breeze, a laptop computer program designed to phase out the projectors, however the program is still not widely used or understood.

A temporary fund has been set up from the vice-chancellor's office in order to fund the replacements until insurance reimbursement can be worked out.

Learning Technology Services owns the following models of projectors, but it is not clear exactly how many or which models were stolen. The models are: Sony VPL-CX5 LCD Projector with Remote; Epson 715C Powerlite LCD Projector with Remote; Sony CX10 LCD Projector with Remote; Epson 710C LCD Projector with Remote; and Proxima 5950 LCD. Projector with Remote.

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with student organization funds, binge drinking and drunk driving.

Implementation of the plan could take some time but might be in place for use as early as next fall.

Currently, this proposal is still in planning and is open for comment from members of the UW-Stout community. Comments can be addressed to Brad Stafford or other members of SSA.

DRAFT Stout Student Association Student Organization Alcohol Policy
Revised 1-25-2005

IMPORTANT: By accepting the policy, the Recognized Student Organizations and all members, inherit a responsibility to enforce all the rules and requirements stated in this document so as to help in the safety and prosperity of all members and the system as a whole. If the respective Organizations fail to comply with the following requirements, they risk sanctions imposed by the Organizational Affairs Conduct Oversight Committee (OACOC), University Court, and the University of Wisconsin–Stout with the possibility of lawsuits stemming from harmful incidents.

This policy has been developed primarily to regulate, reduce risk, and provide continuity to the Student Organization's social functions at which alcohol is present and does not preclude the application of the University Wisconsin–Stout ALCOHOL/TOBACCO/OTHER DRUGS POLICY or that of the Organization's National organization in the event a violation of law and/or the University Recognized Student Organizations Obligations of Recognition, Rights, Conduct and Discipline Policy Statement.

The following shall apply to **ALL** Student Organization events.

A. Notification Procedures

1) Each recognized student organization event will be planned and therefore subject to approval by the (OACOC), the Stout Student Association no later than three (3) calendar days prior to the date of that event. The official *"Function Notification Form"* must be submitted to and signed by the organization president and risk manager prior to its distribution.
2) The *"Function Notification Form"* must be submitted to the Community Development Coordinator, and the SSA for approval signatures no less than three (3) calendar days prior to the event. Copies will be distributed to the Stout Student Association, University Police, and the Dean of Students Office.
3) The guidelines on the back of the *"Function Notification Form"* must be read and followed for the duration of each official organization event. Those guidelines shall be accepted as part of the Stout Student Association Student Organization Alcohol Policy.
4) A copy of the *"Function Notification Form"* will be posted at the entrance of the event.

B. Safety Procedures at an Event Where Alcohol is Being Served:

1) Signs shall be posted at the entrance indicating the Organization's right to refuse admittance to anyone not on the party list and the availability of designated drivers, as well as food and non-alcoholic beverages.
2) An appropriate amount of substantial food and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided at the function involving alcohol.
3) Under no circumstance shall alcohol be allowed to leave the premises during an event.
4) Everyone admitted to the function must have his or her first and last name documented on the guest list.
   - ***i. A typed copy of the final guest list shall be ready and available for Stout Student Association by 9 p.m. on the following day of the function.***
   - ***ii. All non-member guests must be on the list.***
   - ***iii. Organization risk managers shall keep the marked guest list on file for three months and submit a copy to the Risk Management Committee.***
5) During an event, which contains alcohol, the organization (sober members responsible for security and the well being of the event) will check the I.D. with birth date of all members and guests in order to determine who is of legal drinking age. The organization will also provide a system of identification (example non-removable wristbands) to determine who is of legal drinking age during the event to prevent the consumption of alcohol by underage members and guests.
6) The organization will not, under any circumstance, endorse or tolerate the consumption of alcohol by underage members or guests. Any non-member supplying alcohol to underage persons shall be asked to leave the function. The organization shall reprimand any member supplying alcohol to underage persons. In the event Stout Student Association is informed of an Organization serving underage persons, that organization is susceptible to OACOC hearing and sanctions.
7) Each Organization must have an adequate system to regulate the admittance and access of uninvited guests during an event.
8) No member shall sanction, tolerate, encourage or participate in "binge drinking" at the scheduled event.
9) A group of no less than four (4) sober members, one of which is the sober driver, will be appointed by the organization prior to and will be responsible for the monitoring of the event. At least one of these four will be identified on the *"Function Notification Form."* Their duties include but are not limited to:
   - *i. Designated contact for all event inquiries*
   - *ii. Checking the identification of members and guests and supplying wristbands, stamps, etc.*
   - *iii. Maintaining order at the event*
   - *iv. Coordinating sober rides to place of residence only*
   - *v. Speaking to anyone whose level of intoxication is an embarrassment or risk to themselves or others.*
   - *vi. Designating only one entrance/exit to the event.*
   - *vii. Monitor and deter underage consumption of alcohol.*

C. Purchasing of Alcohol

1) No alcoholic beverages may be purchased through the organization treasury nor may the purchase of the same (alcoholic beverages) for members or guests be undertaken or coordinated by any member in the name of or on behalf of the organization.
2) The promotion of, or participation, in any action or activity that could be interpreted, as the selling of alcohol will not be tolerated. This includes, but is not limited to, charging admission to parties to cover the cost of alcohol, passing the hat, selling drink tickets, or having vending machines which dispense alcoholic beverages.
3) If an organization is sponsoring a function that raises money for fundraising or philanthropy by charging admission, the costs of non-alcoholic expenses may be taken from the door. All alcoholic expenses must be paid from another source.
4) All fundraising and philanthropy events must be specified on the *"Function Notification Form."* The charity must be identified.

D. Alcohol Procedures

1) If event (which involved alcohol) is held off campus, off organization property, a sober shuttle system must be implemented and used.
2) Hard alcohol is permitted with the following guidelines:
   - i. All alcohol will stop being served one-half hour before the end of the function. (Complies with *"Function Notification Form"*).
   - ii. Served in cups from behind the bar or in original container.

E. Spontaneous Functions

1) A spontaneous function shall be a function with 10 or more members of your organization and any non-members in attendance. Spontaneous functions are to follow all of the above guidelines except for ***Section A: Notification.*** **Spontaneous functions are subject to random checks by the Organization Code of Conduct Oversight Committee.**
2) As soon as a spontaneous function occurs, the Stout Police Department and Stout Student Association shall be immediately notified.

F. Advertising

1) Before being posted, any and all advertising material must be approved by SSA.

G. Miscellaneous

1) The possession, sale and/or use of any illegal drugs or controlled substances on any organization house grounds at any time are strictly prohibited.
2) No Organization shall serve, use or possess alcohol during any recruitment function.

****In the event a licensed alcohol caterer (3rd party vendor) is used at an organization event, the organization should still maintain all policies EXCEPT for those the vendor controls (checking IDs, serving alcohol). Continuing these procedures greatly reduces the risk and liability of that organization. ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD BE CAUTIOUS TO PURCHASE A SERVICE, NOT JUST BULK ALCOHOL.**

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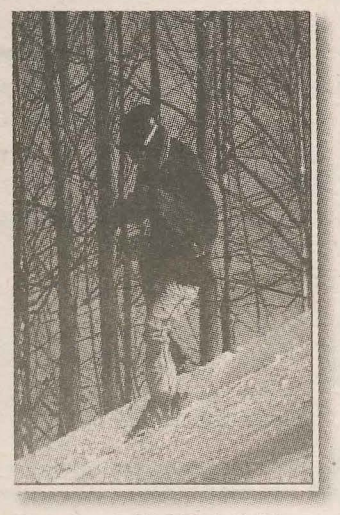

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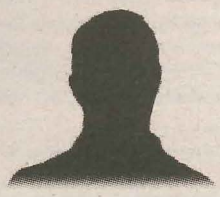
Students don't care about their rights



The Stoutonia Staff
Staff Editorial

Americans know this: Freedom is precious. It is fought for on a daily basis, sought for by millions and not being taught to the youth of our nation.

A two-year, $1 million research project, commissioned by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and conducted by researchers from the University of Connecticut, suggests that high school students are not being taught enough about their First Amendment rights.

Pop quiz. What are your First Amendment rights?

Time's up. Put your pencils down.

First Amendment rights: freedom of speech, of the press, of religion, of assembly and the right to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Most of those are probably freedoms you enjoy without even noticing.

True or False: It is illegal to burn the flag.

True or False: The government can censor the Internet.

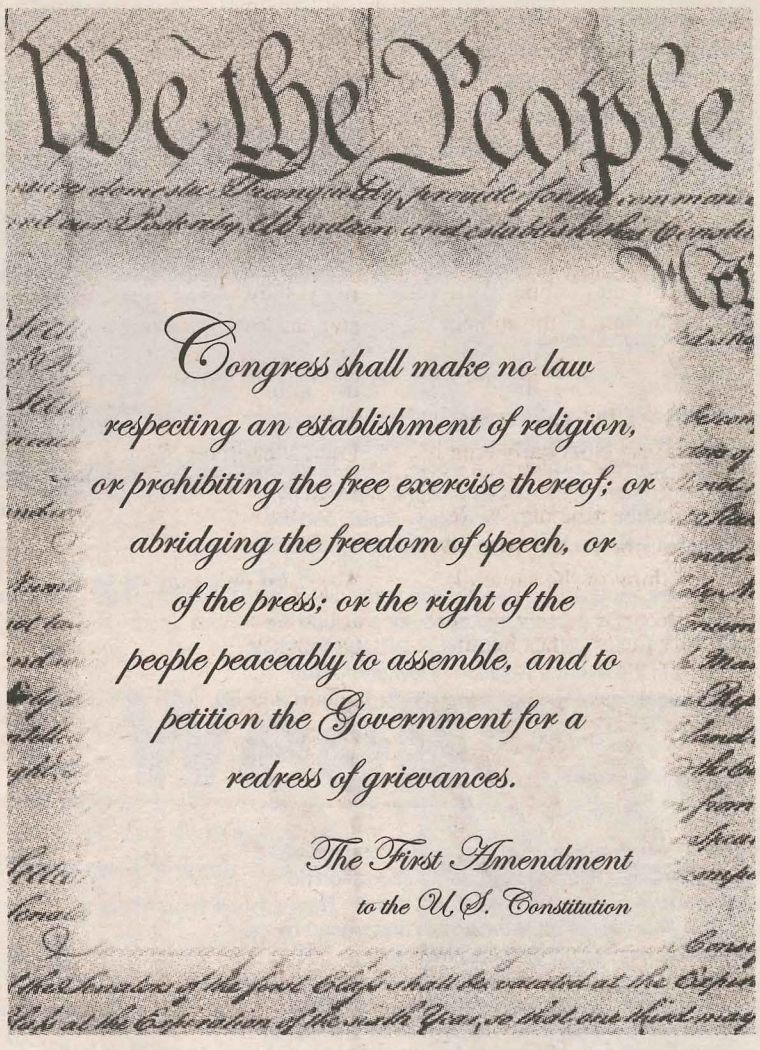
If you answered false to both, you get a gold star.

Over 100,000 high school students, nearly 8,000 teachers and over 500 administrators were questioned in the survey. Flag burning is not illegal, but 75 percent of the students polled believe it is, and more than half thought the government has the power to censor the Internet.

Neither of those is a threat to the American way of life, but here is the bombshell. A third of the students felt that the First Amendment goes too far in guaranteed rights.

In theory, this could mean that a third of high school students across the nation feel it would be acceptable to repeal some of the freedoms on which our country is founded.

Another disturbing point in the survey is that almost 75 percent of the high school students questioned either did not know how they felt about the First Amendment or admitted that they take it for granted.



Can we blame them? Our society does not make it incredibly important to know your rights. Have you ever heard of someone failing a "rights test?"

It might be unreasonable to expect juniors and seniors in high school to know about their freedoms. after all, they need to be focused on what they are doing on Friday night.

Everyone can remember what kinds of thoughts worried them when they were in high school, and most of us can admit that the next big dance was on our mind far more than our rights and freedoms.

Apparently the question isn't why don't students care, but rather why don't they know they should care about the First Amendment?

The survey suggests that if studying the First Amendment were a classroom requirement, the importance of the rights would be known by all the nation's youth.

Perhaps the Editorial Staff of *The Stoutonia* isn't the right group of people to talk about the importance of the First Amendment. Obviously we all feel strongly about the ability to put into print any of the stories that come to our attention. Maybe you, the readers, have some points on the importance of the First Amendment that would be pertinent.

Please, consider this a call for your thoughts and concerns. You can send a Letter to the Editor, online, at Stoutonia@uwstout.edu or letters can be dropped off at our office, 149 in the MSC.

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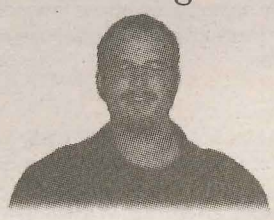
Why you might never eat another cheeseburger

After watching the independent film "Super Size Me" anyone can see that too much grease can thrill



Joe Spraggon
Columnist

It is a new year, time for new things, new adventures, new experiences, new friends and the ever-present New Years Resolution. Here is mine. I swear off fast food. I am over and done with it, and I will tell you why.

I recently watched the film "Super Size Me," and the entire time I was sick to my stomach. Not the kind of sick feeling that you get from eating too much food, but the kind of sick feeling you get from watching an "Alien" movie and imagining having your very own chest-burster. That's right true believers; fast food is a nasty, nasty thing.

The gist of the flick is that a normal guy decides to eat McDonalds morning, noon and night. He tries every menu item at least once, and any time a McDonald's employee asks him if he wants to super-size his meal, he does. Yuck.

He is also under the close watch of three different physicians and the watchful eye of his vegan-chef girlfriend. After the first ten days he has already gained twelve pounds. Again, yuck.

The film is crammed with damning information about the fast food industry, supersized if you will. For me, the real clincher came with the extras. An experiment is attempted: Several large, non-air tight, glass jars are filled with McDonald's food and two are filled with a burger and fries from a local street vendor.

The McDonald's burgers lasted twice as long as the street vendor's food, and after eight weeks, the McDonald's fries look as if they had been purchased just the day before. At this point, my stomach wanted to go on a very long holiday, away from my body, with serious thoughts of never returning.

The hard part of this revelation is going to be sticking with it. Not eating at McDonalds won't be a problem. I don't like the food and feel that it is sub-par even among fast food. I love Burger King. How can you not? With specials like Whopper Wednesday and all of the other delicious menu choices, I have to admit; it tastes very, very good.

It should. I've read Eric Schlosser's book *Fast Food Nation,* and in it he states that all of the wonderful, dreamy smells and tastes associated with America's favorite meals are engineered in plants and factories.

None of it is real and Oz is shaking behind his curtain. The large companies spend no expense to make the food taste addictively good. Go watch "Super Size Me" if you disagree, and watch what the gentleman in question goes through.

It isn't pretty. By the end of the film, 30 days, he has gained almost 25 pounds. He feels depressed and tired unless he is shoveling this stuff into his mouth.

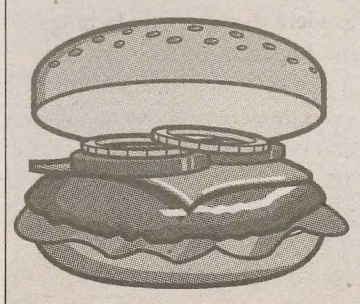
That, my friends, is addiction, and the doctors agree. His liver is in trouble, showing the early signs of fibrosis, and his sex drive is absolutely zilch; not a happy place.

Like I said before, I'm swearing off fast food. These "people" will no longer get any of my very hard earned money.

Wal-Mart is another matter entirely, but when I can afford to stop feeding that beast, I will. The fact is is that I can afford to not eat fast food. I can eat at home much cheaper; I need only give up a small convenience. Wish me luck.

Fast Food For Thought

Here are some quick, interesting facts about the fast food industry.



Source: www.foodfacts.info

7 percent of all Americans eat at McDonald's each day.

1/3 of all potatoes end up as French fries.

A typical fast-food strawberry milkshake is said to contain a mixture of more than 50 chemicals.

In 1970, Americans spent about $6 billion on fast food; in 2001, they spent more than $110 billion.

76% of beef consumption away from home is comprised of hamburgers and cheeseburgers.

On any given day in the United States about one-quarter of the adult population visits a fast food restaurant.

Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Unsubscribe Please

I am writing this to you to express my concern for our student government- the SSA. I have written the SSA on numerous occasions (some of which I will show here) concerning their email practices.

I have spoken to many students and the vast majority do not like the SSA filling up their mailboxes with daily SSA announcements.

I for one am tired of receiving these garbage emails against my will and I am writing to you in hopes that you will bring light to the subject publicly in order to make the SSA change their policy.

First and foremost, every day, to every SSA daily email I reply with:

"Unsubscribe please" or "Unsubscribe for Christ's sake" or something of the same ilk. Every day, every email, I reply. Recently the SSA has begun writing me back or ignoring me totally. I am sorry but don't my funds, my tuition, my and my parents' money go into funding the SSA?

All I want is my email to contain emails that are valuable. The SSA emails are not valuable to me and never have been, therefore I believe that it is my right as a student (who already has given Stout over $20,000) to decide what can and cannot be sent to my email box.

Secondly, when SSA did reply, they weren't the cuddly student-loving organization they claim to be. They were rude in my opinion.

Luke Metzinger
UW-Stout Student

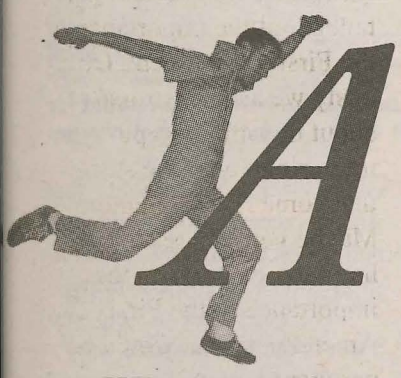
A second opinion,

Last semester, in your October 28th edition, you published an article in which you defended your mediocre newspaper. In it you said that you do not "suck." First let me begin by assuring you that you do indeed suck. Even if we overlook the conflict of interest involved in publishing such a statement we are left with the somewhat unsettling idea that your newspaper was forced to do so. In essence what I'm trying to say is that if your paper had become so disreputable that is had to publish a commentary to the contrary, it is a surefire sign that it is approaching the pinnacle of infamy.

A key defense of your paper was that people are taking it so it must be good. I would counter by pointing out that your paper is free and therefore doesn't need to be good. Your paper is also readily available, I can easily grab a copy when I have a few minutes between classes and read an article or two. Your paper is a bit like a bad television show, you don't really enjoy watching it but there's nothing better on so you sit through it. I would also like to point out that based on the number of papers I see left in the distribution centers at the time of your publishing you are chronically overestimating the number of copies you will need. I see this as a squandering of resources and an affront to the environment.

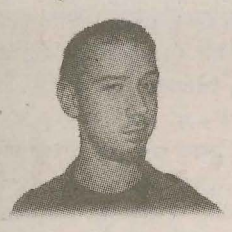
The faultiness of your paper goes far beyond the mere grammatical errors and political bias you mentioned. Your staff editorials need editing, your comic strips aren't comic, and every installment of your paper is heavy on sarcasm. You are an unprofessional, unprincipled institution.

Travis J. Ekbom
UW-Stout Student



A Dance Off!

When a man's territory is threatened, what will he do to defend it?



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I was late for my *Stoutonia* meeting this past Tuesday. This was our first meeting of the semester, and being the high profile public figure that I am, this was definitely not setting a good example.

Was it that I was irresponsible? Of course not!

I left my room with plenty of time to make it to the MSC by 7 p.m., sharp. I even arrived about five minutes early, but to my surprise, our usual meeting room was not occupied by its usual mix of mingling editorial board staff and tables and chairs; the dance team had the room this week.

Some would perhaps blame this on poor planning by the powers that be on *The Stoutonia* staff; they should have e-mailed everyone to tell them that the meeting had been moved to the Commons, but we're past that point.

My anger cannot rest, much less hinge, on my superiors at the paper; after all, they do pay me to write this nonsense.

So the question remains, what IS the appropriate outlet for my aggression? What can I do to right this terrible wrong?

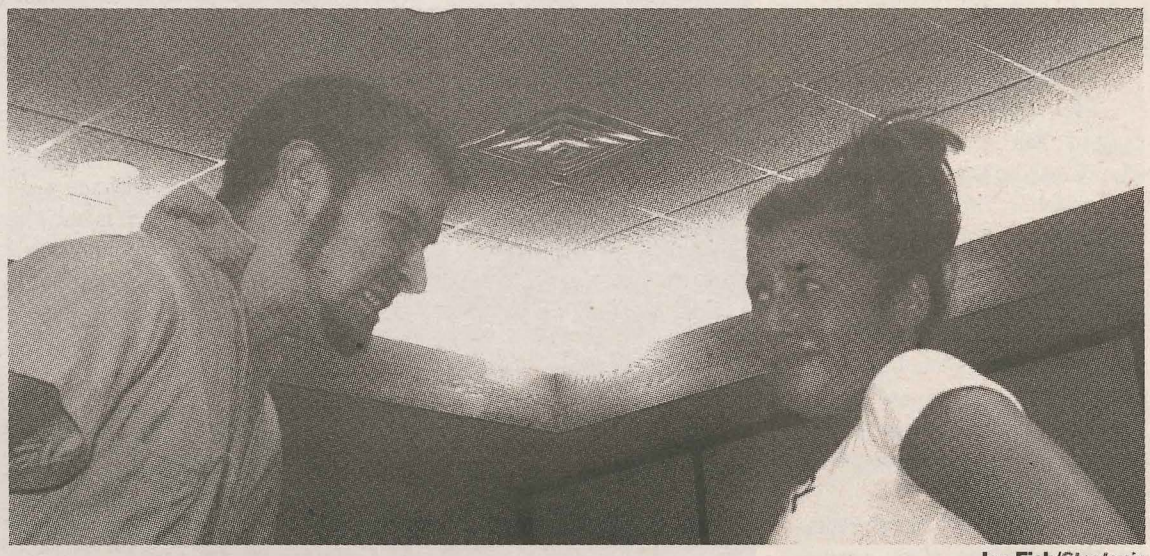
My thinking then drifted to those who had taken the room from its usual inhabitants: the dance team. It became clear to me then what I had to do.

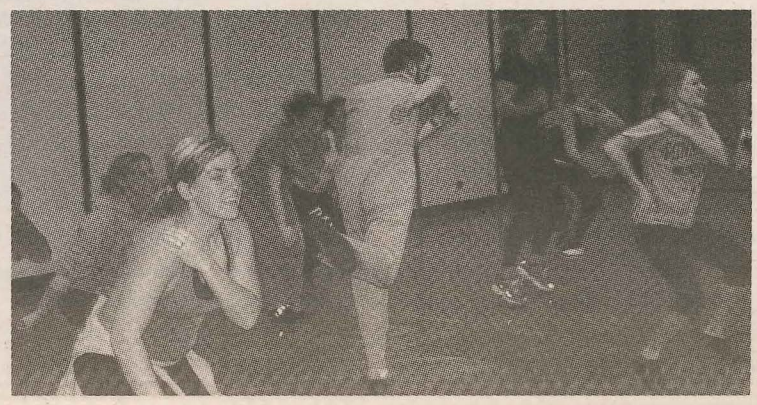
I had to beat the dance team at their own game. I had to feel the beat of the rhythm of the night. Now we come to the true purpose of this article, the fact that I am issuing a formal challenge to the dance team, a challenge that may surprise those who don't know me, and embarrass those who do. Dance team, I challenge you to a dance off.

Read that last sentence again, just to let it sink it. I'm not sure how big the team is, but I think I can take on all of them in a battle of classical and modern dance. I hate to brag, but I have some fresh moves. Some so fresh that I haven't even thought of them yet, if that makes any sense. I'm ready to kick out the jams, bust a fat one, and even drop it like it's hot to defend my and *The Stoutonia's* honor.

Although, upon reading this back to myself, I doubt they'll back me up. For one thing, I was really the only one who was late, and two, I don't think anyone else really minded having to change rooms for a week. Neither do I come to think of it. But it's the principle of the thing!

Well, there you have it, the offer's on the table. The shot has been fired. The zit has been popped? I'm ready dance team. Are you?





Jay Fish/*Stoutonia*

Matt Schubbe dances to defend his honor and the honor of *The Stoutonia*, against the dance team (top). Then he stares down a member of the dance team (middle), before beginning the dance off (bottom).

An outlet for stress, personal issues

By Marta Peters
Student Life Writer

Diana Minea/*Stoutonia*

The University Counseling Center, located on the fourth floor of Bowman Hall, offers students a healthy way to relieve stress and an outlet for feelings when they are having personal problems. The center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and is free of charge.

Winter break is starting to become a faint memory and the spring semester is well underway for students. A full load of credits, in addition to the demands of social and personal issues means a full load of stress, anxiety and other emotions for the next three and a half months.

What many do not realize is that although this is normal for any college student to go through, students often do not relieve stress in the best way. This can be accomplished through healthy friendships or gaining an outside perspective on different areas of life. For University of Wisconsin–Stout students, the University Counseling Center exists for that very purpose.

Located on the fourth floor of Bowman Hall, the Counseling Center has been present since approximately 1965. According to their Web site, in that time it has grown to become a place not just for counseling, but a place that succeeds in its mission to "assist students in overcoming psychological, emotional, and relationship barriers that stand in the way of academic success."

While this may seem complex, the truth of the matter is that the Counseling Center provides many services ranging from alcohol awareness and campus violence programs to internships for graduate students.

At times, some students may feel apprehensive about seeking outside help for events that are going on during their life. Those that feel this way should be assured that a majority of their peers have similar stresses.

"First of all, we believe students are demonstrating courage and wisdom by seeking another objective perspective when they choose to utilize counseling services," said John Achter, director of the Counseling Center. "We know from research that college students today experience more stress than students just 10 or 20 years ago. It is not unusual for this stress to become overwhelming at times and manifest in a variety of ways."

Except for the Alcohol and Other Drug Education Program and standardized testing, there is no fee for the services provided through the Counseling Center. Any student is able to call and talk to someone or make an appointment to meet with a counselor for free. Each counselor is highly accredited in his or her specialization; so students are given the best attention from the staff with the assurance of confidentiality.

According to the Counseling Center Web site, "students seek help for a variety of personal issues. Some of the most common are self-esteem and identity, relationships, depression, anxiety, stress, grief, eating disorders and body image concerns, and substance abuse."

There are various programs for students to receive help. One of the newest programs available through the Counseling Center is the Campus Violence Prevention Project (CVPP).

The purpose of CVPP is to raise awareness about the problem of violence against women. Topics include dating and domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

"Two goals of the project are to promote social change with the campus community by attempting to correct misperceptions, myths or attitudes that may be contributing to violence against women on campus and to support the efforts of student bystanders of violence in assisting, supporting and referring other students and friends who may experience these types of violence," said Robin Abraham, project director of CVPP.

Abraham also notes that she enjoys seeing the benefits that students receive from promoting nonviolence, healthy relationships and social responsibility.

The staff tries to help students in the best possible way.

"Providing counseling and other direct service in a variety of areas keeps us fresh professionally and connected to student needs," said Achter. "All of our counselors really enjoy what they do and love working in a higher education environment."

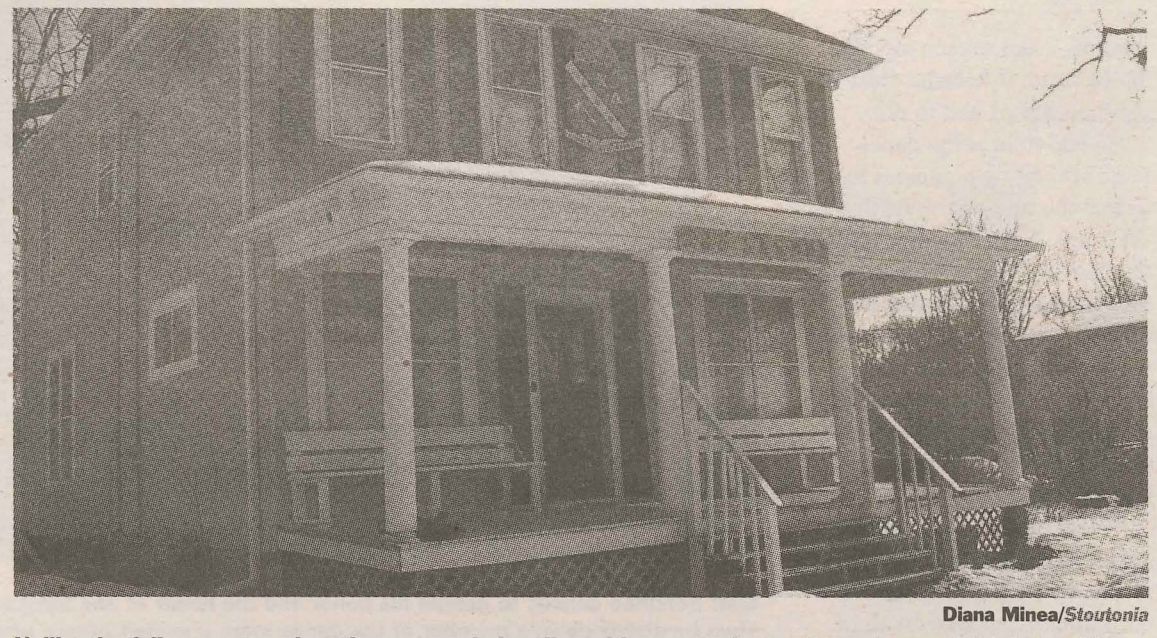
The Counseling Center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

There are also 24-hour help lines for after-hours emergencies. Help line telephone numbers can be found on their Web site, http://www.uwstout.edu/counsel.

Spring brings a more relaxed rush for sororities and fraternities

Greek organizations expect a smaller recruitment than during fall semester due to fewer brand new students

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer



Diana Minea/*Stoutonia*

Unlike the fall semester when the campus is bustling with new students, the spring rush for fraternities and sororities is fairly small. Many students rush in spring because their friends rushed during fall.

Presumably, everyone on campus has seen movies and television shows about rushing and initiation rituals that Greek organizations hold while trying to find and keep new members. Greek life at the University of Wisconsin-Stout isn't quite the same as in movies, but currently, most of the Greek organizations at UW-Stout are in the midst of planning and implementing spring rush plans.

Admittedly, by Greek leaders and members alike, spring rush isn't as aggressive as fall rush simply because there aren't as many new students to promote their organization to.

"In the fall, we can take advantage of events that target freshmen and students living on campus," said Emily Kempainen, a junior in retail merchandise and management and the president of Phi Theta Chi sorority. "Freshmen are required to go to things like the Back Yard Bash, and that's where we attracted our most interested women."

In general, there are more events for students to go to at the beginning of the fall semester. Most of the big spring events are held toward the end of the year when the weather is nicer.

"During the spring semester, we tend to focus on our community service and fundraising projects," said Kempainen. "We do activities like Greek Week, Health and Fitness Night and Weenies for the Wasted on Parent's Weekend."

Phi Theta Chi isn't the only Greek organization that alters their aggressiveness and some of their activities between fall and spring rush.

"In the spring, it seems like we get most of our guys interested because their friends rushed the semester before," said Trent Lorenze, a senior in business and a member of the Chi Lambda fraternity.

Lorenze's fraternity brother, Marty Sather, nodded in agreement.

"We do a barbeque with Alpha Phi and go to the Involvement Fair to promote Chi Lambda, but most of the guys actually decide to join because their friends joined in the fall," said Sather, a senior in applied math and member of Chi Lambda.

Other fraternities agreed.

"I would have to say in the fall we receive more people interested in our organization because they are typically new here at UW-Stout and want to get out and meet people," said Brandon Salcedo, a senior in telecommunications and a member of the Phi Sigma Phi National Fraternity. "In the spring, for the most part, students have already met people and do not go out looking to meet new people."

A member of Kappa Lambda Beta, Tracey Derry, who is also a senior in service management, agrees whole-heartedly with what members of other fraternities said.

"In the fall we do actual rush activities like dying t-shirts," said Derry. "In the spring it's more relaxed and we just throw parties."

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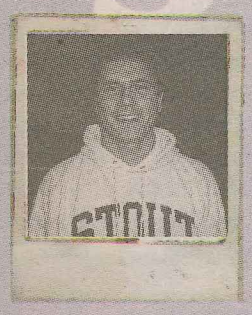


"A Stout cop car because who wouldn't want a cop car."

Cody Buck
Undecided
Freshman

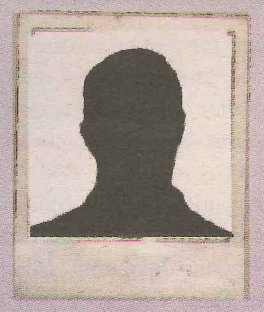
If you could steal anything from UW-Stout what would you steal, and why?

"The whirlpool in the training room for a whirl pool party."

Jesse Piehl
Applied Science
Freshman

"The big "S" because it would make a good decoration."

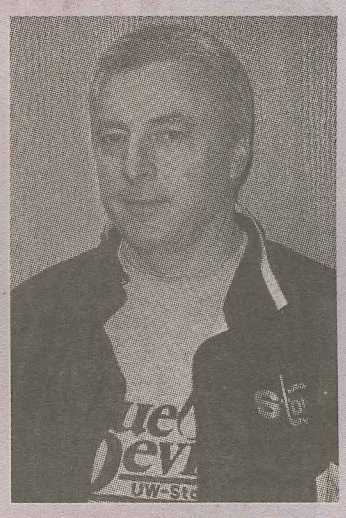
Tanya Freseth
Applied Science
Sophomore



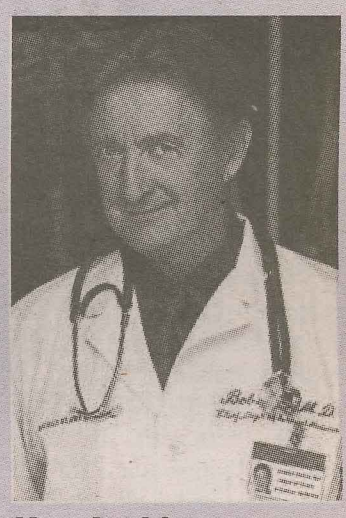
"A big screen to go with my new projectors."

John Doe
Cleptology
Freshman

Look-a-Likes

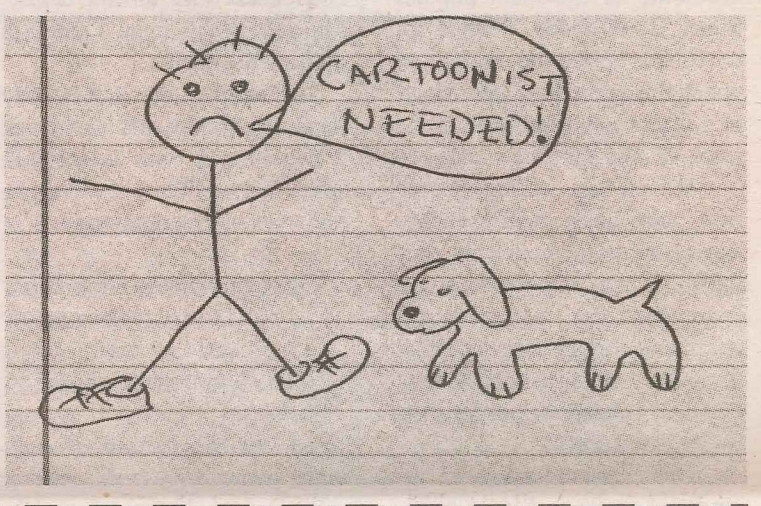


Terry Watkins
Coach, Hockey



Ken Jenkins
Actor, "Scrubs"

Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us hear it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.



BEST of Menomonie

Best faculty/staff member _____
Best Women's Blue Devil sport _____
Best Men's Blue Devil sport _____
Best intramural sport _____
Best place to work off campus _____
Best organization _____
Best bank _____
Best drink special _____
Best atmosphere _____
Best bartender _____
Best bar _____
Best pizza _____
Best late night munchies _____
Best hair salon _____
Best grocery store _____
Best liquor store _____
Best date place _____
Best new business _____
Best sandwiches/subs _____
Best video store _____
Best auto repair _____

Once again, we are asking you, the readers, to vote on the Best of Menomonie. Nothing fancy here, we just tally the votes and print the results.

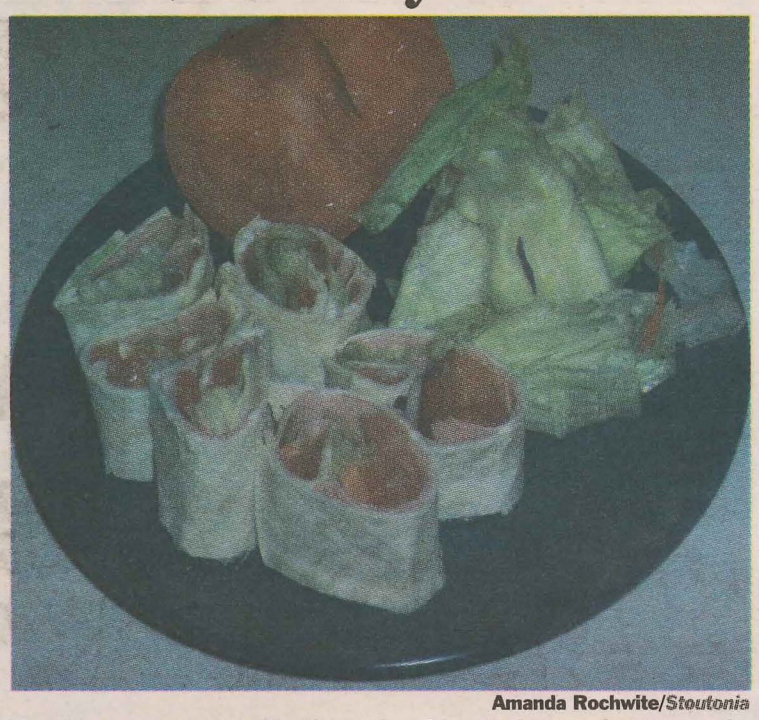
We will give detailed information on how people voted in our Feb. 24 issue.

So please vote before then, and turn your ballot in at any Best of Menomonie Balloting Box or at the Stoutonia Office in the Memorial Student Center.

Best food for the college budget _____
Best entertainment at Stout _____
Best major _____
Best coffee in town _____
Best fast food _____
Best place to work on campus _____
Best fine dining _____
Best scenic place _____
Best police officer _____
Best place to get away _____
Best weekend activity _____
Best Stoutonia Employee _____

Snacks that make you scream 'Touchdown'

Katie Bader
Columnist



Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia

Veggie wraps are a healthy Super Bowl snack that can be prepared in minutes. The leftovers are perfect for lunches the following day.

Super Bowl: a time for funny commercials, beer on Sunday afternoon, too many people crowded around a TV and, of course, football.

The best part for some people is eating some of the best snacks and junk foods all year. Between tackles and commercials, most Super Bowl fans grab their favorite snacks and start munching.

Cheese popcorn, crackers and cheese, chicken wings, subs, pizza, and chips and dip are some of the most popular Super Bowl foods. With a lot of friends gathering around to watch the game, the Super Bowl is a prime opportunity to make some of your favorite snacks.

If you are having people over, your guests will probably expect treats to munch on during the game. If you are going to someone else's place, it's just common courtesy to bring a dish to share. Here are some easy and pretty cheap recipes for your Super Bowl party.

One of the most popular Super Bowl snacks is chips and dip.

"I love cheese dip and chips," said Matt Magee, a sophomore in construction.

"My favorite thing to eat during the Super Bowl is nacho cheese and tortilla chips," said Justin Willemon, a junior in multimedia design.

Here is a quick and easy recipe for cheese dip. The recipe is delicious the way it is, but to spice it up a little bit add salsa, tomatoes or green onions.

Cream Cheese Chili Dip

1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese
1 (15 oz.) can chili
2/3 cup shredded cheddar cheese

1. In the bottom of a 9-inch microwave safe baking dish, spread the cream cheese. Top cream cheese with an even layer of chili and sprinkle with cheese.

2. Heat in the microwave on high for five minutes or until the cheese has melted and stir it together. Go get some tortilla chips and enjoy!

If you crave hot foods and are looking for something spicy, try Bacon Jalapeño Cheddar Bites. They will give you just the zing you crave. Don't forget to have a glass of something cool and refreshing nearby to wash down the hot peppers.

Bacon Jalapeño Cheddar Bites

(Yield: 12 servings)
16 oz. block of cheddar cheese
6 Jalapeños, seeded and halved
12 slices of bacon

1. Preheat the broiler.

2. Cut the cheddar cheese into 12 slices long enough to fit inside the jalapeño halves. Insert cheese slices into the jalapeño halves. Wrap everything with the bacon slices and secure with a toothpick.

3. Place on a baking sheet sprayed with cooking spray.

4. Bake 5 to 10 minutes or until the bacon is evenly brown.

Chicken wings are another party favorite.

"I love hot wings with Bleu Cheese dressing," said Angela Fahey, a senior in hotel, restaurant and tourism management.

Here's a hot wing recipe that needs to be prepared in advance to give the wings time to marinate in the hot sauce. These wings will be hot in your mouth and hot with your bank account, at about half the price of premade chicken wings.

Spicy Chicken Wings

2 pounds chicken wings
2 tablespoons Cajun seasoning
1/2 (5 ounce) bottle hot sauce

1. Rinse wings in cold water and place on baking sheets. Generously sprinkle Cajun seasoning on both sides of chicken, then dash all with hot sauce (enough to cover wings, without leaking off baking sheets). Refrigerate for at least 3 hours.

2. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.

3. Bake chicken in preheated oven for 20 minutes. Turn and bake for another 10 minutes or until chicken is cooked through (juices run clear).

4. Dip the wings in Bleu Cheese or ranch dressing.

If you're not into cheesy foods and spicy treats aren't really for you, try this next recipe, packed with vegetables that will give you some of the vitamins your body needs. It is easy to make, and the leftovers can be used for lunch the next day.

Veggie Wraps

3 (10 inch) flour tortillas
1/2 (8 ounce) package cream cheese
1 handful of ready-made salad with lettuce, carrots and cabbage
1/2 (6 ounce) package sliced deli-style turkey
Chopped tomato

1. Spread cream cheese evenly over the tortillas. Top the cream cheese with lettuce leaves.

2. Arrange the turkey slices in even layers on top of the lettuce. Sprinkle tomato over the turkey slices.

3. Roll the tortillas into wraps. Cut the wraps diagonally into bite-sized pieces. Secure with toothpicks.

Add more vegetables, such as cucumbers, pickles, green peppers or onion, if you would like. Wraps are easy to customize to just the way you like them.

With snacks like this, your friends and family are going to wish the big game came more than once a year.

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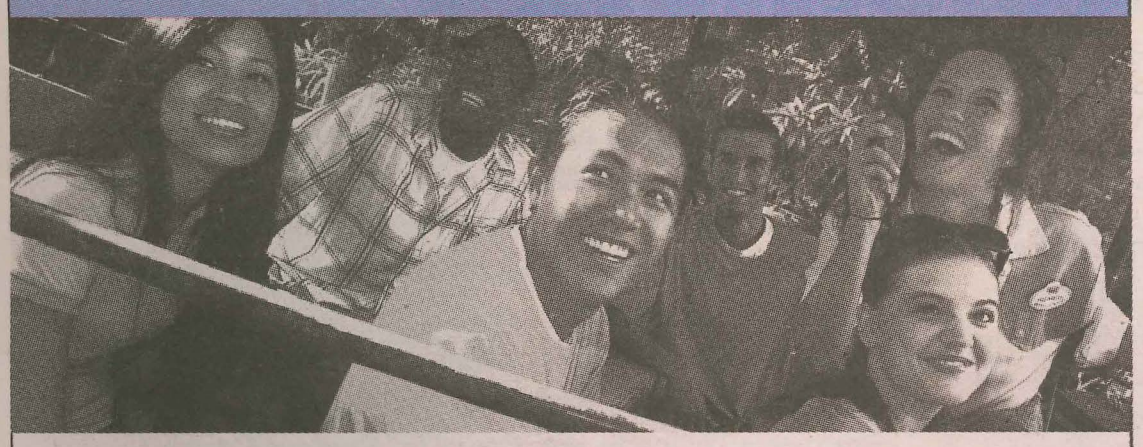

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The 411

February 3 to February 10

Thursday, Feb. 3
>**The Ike Reilly Assassination,** Huff's, 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

Friday, Feb. 4
>**Music: Chris Koza,** Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
>**Sushi Burgers,** Huff's, 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., $2 students.
>**Music: Cofield,** Blind Munchies Café, 7 p.m.
>**Firefly Arts Company "Trail Mix,"** Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., $7 students.

Saturday, Feb. 5
>**Sushi Burgers,** Huff's, 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., $2 students.
>**Music: Confluence,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $12 students.

Sunday, Feb. 6
No events scheduled

Monday, Feb. 7
>**Disney recruiting presentation,** Glass Lounge, Price Commons, 1 p.m. and 6 p.m.
>**Speaker: Dustin VanOverbeke,** 5:30 p.m., Crystal Ballroom A.

Tuesday, Feb. 8
No events scheduled

Wednesday, Feb. 9
>**Speaker: Minnijean Brown-Trickey,** Great Hall, 8 p.m., students free.

Thursday, Feb. 10
>**Sushi Burgers,** Huff's, 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., $2 students.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.
>**Moments in Eternity,** Great Hall, 7:30 p.m., free.

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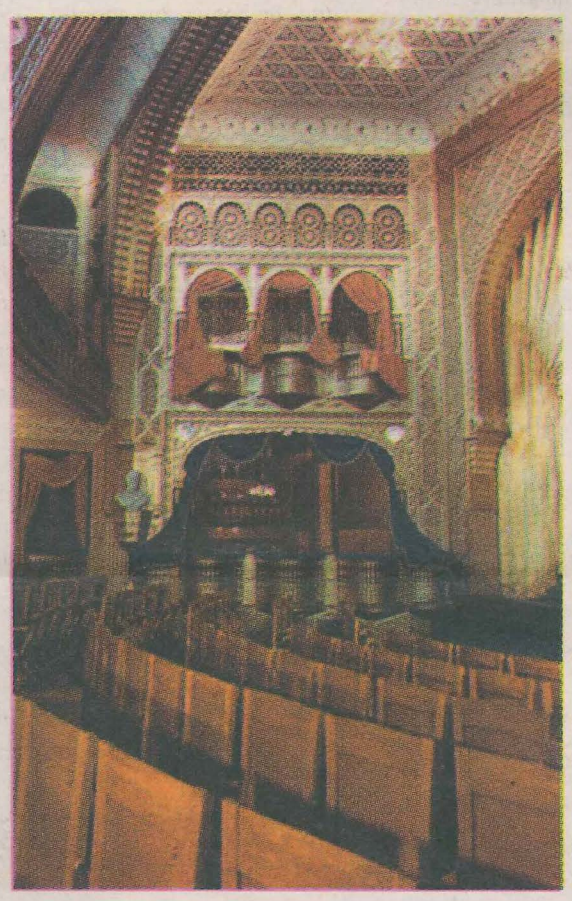

Most students know it as, "that building that looks neat." You know, the one on Main Street right down the college path from Harvey Hall. Yet those who've been inside the structure become enchanted by the beauty of its original 19th century theater and an amazing view from every seat.

The Mabel Tainter Memorial Theater (MTM) is Menomonie's main attraction for anyone looking for live entertainment.

From dance to theater, to hip-hop groups and folk singers, this theater has it all. While everyone is aware of the ornate architecture and the incredible beauty inside. What most University of Wisconsin-Stout students aren't aware of is the amazing shows that they present. The theater is hosting seven different acts in February, directed towards all ages and all kinds of entertainment.

The first performance is by two Montana artists, Stuart Weber and Allan Kesselheim. Kesselheim has made a life for himself touring the states, whitewater rafting and elk hunting. During his travels he wrote exquisite stories about his adventures. Weber has the talent of an amazing guitarist and has the ability to create such sound effects as thunder or water with guitar riffs.

The two were performers, brought together and now have created a storytelling experience that is sure to entertain. While Kesselheim tells the audience of his travels, Weber puts music to the tales in perfect synchronization, creating a truly unique experience.

The show, called Confluance, literally means, "A duet of words and music." They will perform Saturday, Feb. 5, at 8 p.m., and tickets are $14 for adults, $12 for seniors, with a special $6 price for university students.

Another fascinating show that is coming in February is the Minnesota Dance Theater (MDT). Since 1962, MDT has been a leader in Minnesota in teaching the art of dance and performance. They will perform parts of five different shows: The Moor's Pavane, Toccata in D-minor, Wingborne, Façade, and

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(above) The Minnesota Dance Company will defy all laws of gravity when they perform at the Mabel Tainter on Feb. 12. (left) Balcony seats, a private view from a side window, or even on the main floor, each seat has the same great view.

Recycled Percussion: don't miss it

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Whether you've seen them before, or have only heard the legend, audiences have never seen them like this. Blue Devil Productions (BDP) is sponsoring Recycled Percussion's return to the University of Wisconsin-Stout and they've brought a whole new bag of tricks for us.

Last time they came to UW-Stout, the junkyard drummers smashed on their garbage cans to a very crowded room of fans in the Great Hall. This time, they're bringing back their old flare and a new feature: their very own DJ.

"I'm really excited about the show," said Darrin Witucki, Events Coordinator for UW-Stout. "It is their third trip to Stout, and this year they have an all new show. They added a DJ, a traditional drum kit, a bass guitar, robotic lighting and giant step ladders. I'm real interested to see what they have in store for us."

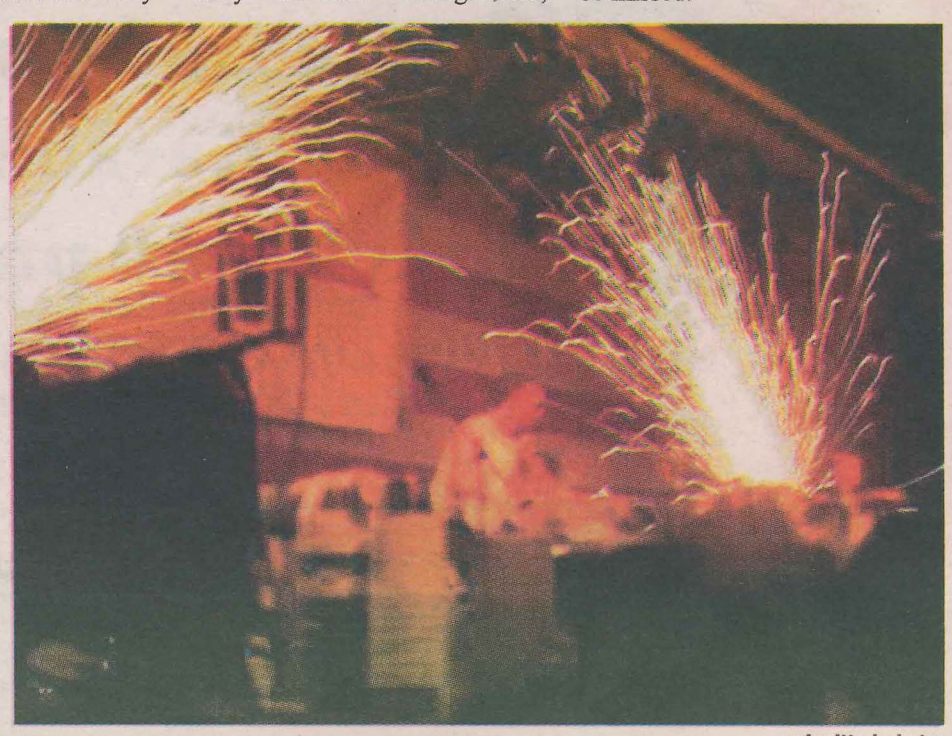
The sparks will fly from their instruments on Friday, Feb. 11 in the Great Hall. The doors open at 7:30 p.m. with the performance starting at 8 p.m. Tickets are only $6 for students, $10 for faculty and staff and $12 for the general public but don't wait too long to get your tickets.

"This is going to be our biggest performance this semester," said Andrea Avery, a senior majoring in art education, as well as part of the BDP executive board.

For those who are unware of Recycled Percussion, they are a band that creates amazing rhythms using only garbage. Between throwing drumsticks all over the stage, or sometimes at each other, and using chainsaws to spark the crowd's interest, they rock out on stage like no other junkyard band in existence.

Their beats are drawn from many different backgrounds, including hip-hop, rock and roll, Latin and African to create a deafening experience.

Nationally seen on "The Today Show" and receiving rave reviews from newspapers such as USA Today, this is a show not to be missed.



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Baby worth every cent of a million

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

In the modern age of popular filmmaking, thoughtful direction is becoming increasingly rare. The philosophy of "less is more" may not be unheard of, but fewer directors seem to have the confidence to take it to heart.

Not too surprisingly, Clint Eastwood displays as much confidence behind the camera as he usually does in front of it while directing, "Million Dollar Baby."

After decades of variations on essentially the same hard-bitten role, Eastwood knows exactly how much meaning he can get from a single facial expression. Volumes can be said with the eyes, without ever opening one's mouth.

On occasion, Eastwood betrays this knowledge. It hardly seems possible that the man behind "Unforgiven" and "Mystic River" was also responsible for "The Bridges of Madison County" and "Pale Rider," but it is.

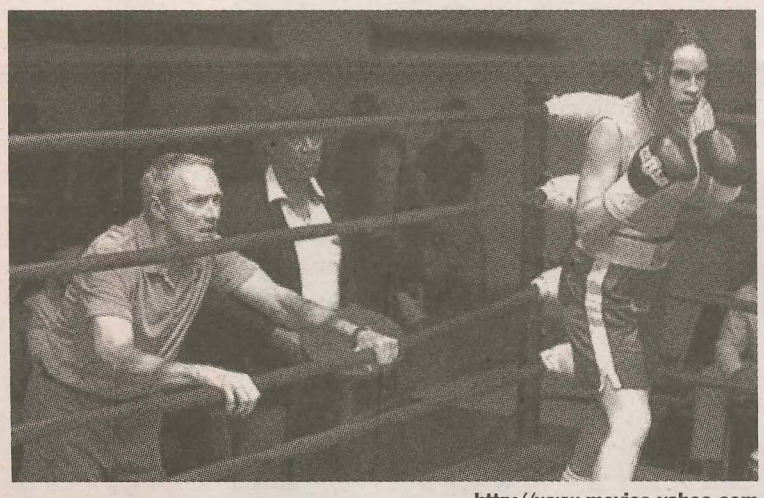
Not to worry, though: "Million Dollar Baby" is the latest example of Eastwood at the top of his game, both as a filmmaker and as an actor.

The film stars Eastwood as Frankie Dunn, the almost snarling manager of a run-down boxing gym. Dunn evokes the typical Eastwood antihero while still managing to be a fully realized character in his own right.

Living under a constant cloud of guilt and shame, his only friend is Eddie Dupris, played by Morgan Freeman, a former boxer who helps with the day-to-day running of the gym and who understands Dunn better than Dunn understands himself.

Dunn's disposition slowly improves when he reluctantly decides to train a female boxer, Maggie Fitzgerald, played by Hillary Swank. It takes a while for Dunn to warm up to the idea of coaching any female. He equates women's boxing with freak shows and it takes even longer for him to warm up to Maggie.

The film's story centers on the strange father/daughter relationship that gradually emerges between Dunn and Fitzgerald. The relationship is an interesting and surprisingly appropriate balance between sweet and dispassionate. Fitzgerald may become Dunn's surrogate daughter, but she is still a fighter under his training, and is subject to the same quiet verbal abuse as any of his other fighters.



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Clint Eastwood scores himself an amazing movie as both the director and star of, "Million Dollar Baby," coaching his surrogate daughter how to fight on the stage and in life.

The story is only slightly less concerned with the world of boxing and training than with the exploration of the characters' relationships. What's depicted is harsh enough to feel real, but rarely too harsh for the casual viewer to stomach.

Think of a female "Rocky"- the first one-but much less romanticized, and you'll come pretty close to the idea behind "Million Dollar Baby." The film is of course much more than that, but this visual at least gives you the general idea.

The performers opposite Eastwood are exceptional. Freeman does a bang-up job as always and Hillary Swank combines just the right amount of worldliness, sweetness and toughness in a role that she only makes look easy.

The only serious flaw that I could detect with "Million Dollar Baby" lies with the script's construction. Toole-the film's narrative feels too neatly broken up into different sections, with the last half-hour seeming like a completely different movie from the rest altogether.

This is not to say the segments are weak, for most of them are indeed quite powerful under Eastwood's quiet direction. It's just that they lack a certain craftsmanship in the way they're held together. To put another way, it's too easy to see the glue holding the model airplane together.

Several devices are used to this purpose, but the one used most effectively is Morgan Freeman's voice-over narration. As I once heard someone remark of "The Shawshank Redemption," I could listen to Freeman's voice for hours. Eastwood wisely chooses not to overplay a good thing, though, and keeps the voiceover limited to enhancing mood and providing clarification where needed.

Even if it isn't perfect, "Million Dollar Baby" is still Eastwood's best film since "Unforgiven" and is an emotional powerhouse. This one deserves to be seen on the big screen. 4 out of 5.

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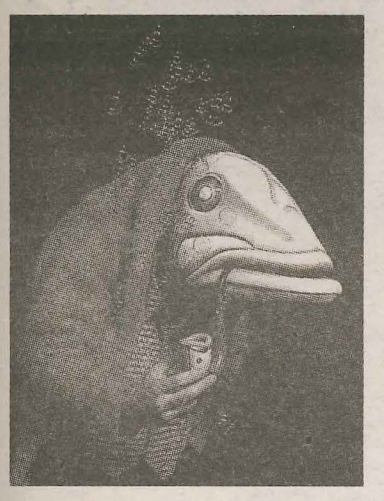


the world premier of One Fell Swoop.

The Moor's Pavane is a subtle retelling of Shakespeare's Othello, with choreography depicting the discord and emotion of the four main characters.

This show is perfect for Valentine's Day with a lover or a friend. The best part is that it's all in the middle of Menomonie, which means minimal driving, beautiful scenery and a relaxing night that doesn't damage the pocketbook.

Façade is seven vignettes ranging from Scottish Rhapsody, to Polka and even Tango. One Fell Swoop is making its debut as a dance of an emotional nature to the music of Ryuichi Sakamot. It then makes a transition into a light and happy dance to music by Rossini.

The performance date is Saturday, Feb. 12, at 8 p.m., with a cost of $21 adults, $19 seniors/ students and $15 children. MDT is also putting on a special matinee at 2 p.m. on Feb. 12, which includes snippets from each performance and will have some of the dancers talking about each show.

At any large theater, tickets could cost over $100 to get as close to the action and stage as one would get at this performance, not to mention the chance of seeing a world premier in our own town. This show should prove worthwhile for anyone.

For those interested in the old Motown scene, the performance of the John Starkey Group is a show not to miss. For the past 12 years, Starkey had been writing his own music and performing around the country. Thought to be a lyrical and melodic genius, he is an example of what a great songwriter should be. The group will perform Saturday, Feb. 19, at 8 p.m. Ticket prices are $12 adults and $10 seniors/students.

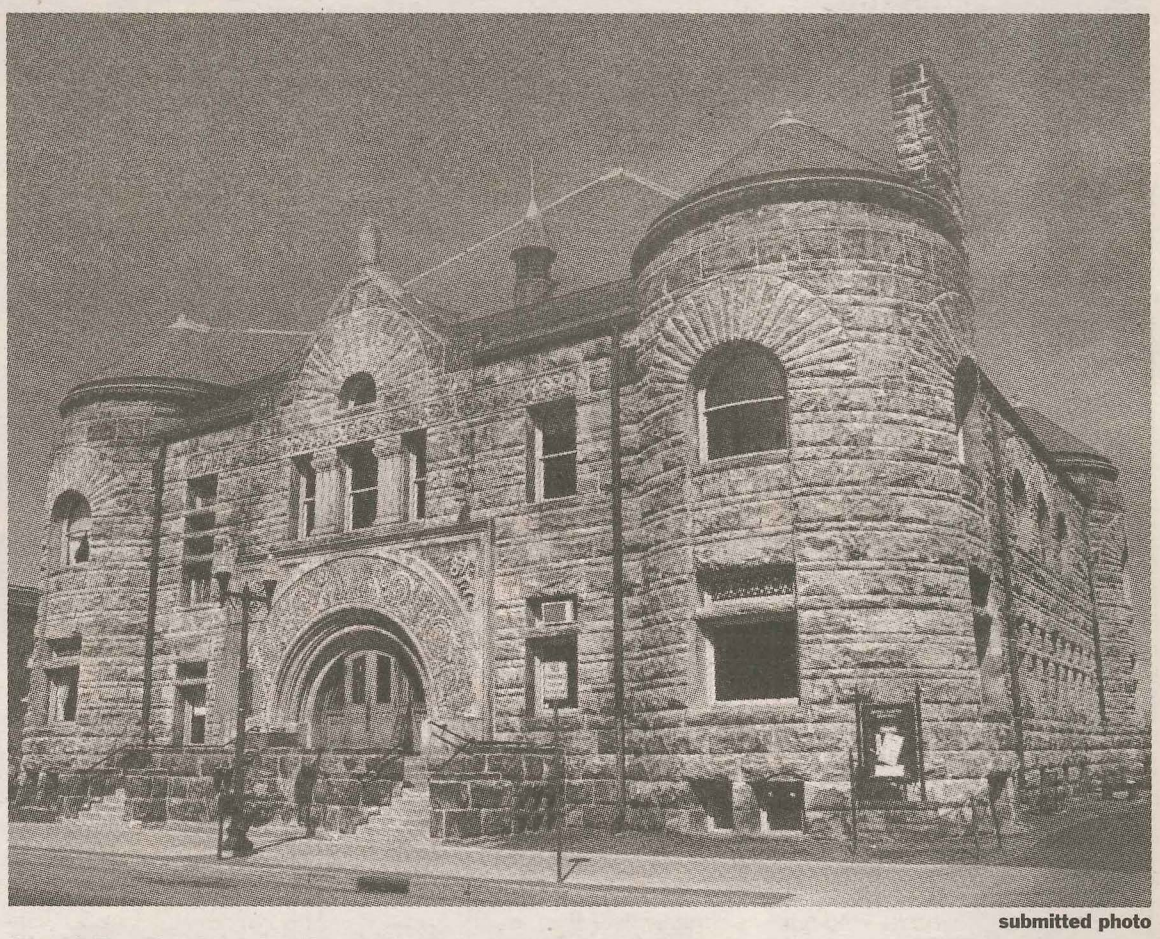
Relive your childhood stories with Michael Cooper. Cooper is coming to the MTM on Friday, Feb. 18 at 8 p.m.

Cooper sculpts his costumes himself and becomes more of a moving sculpture than an actual being. Cooper's stories are half autobiographical and half a piece of imagination.

This show will stun and awe young children, while leaving the grown ups feeling like big kids themselves.

Ticket prizes for this show are $14 for adults, $12 for seniors and students and just $8 for children.

To see other MTM performances and information, go to www.mabletainter.com.



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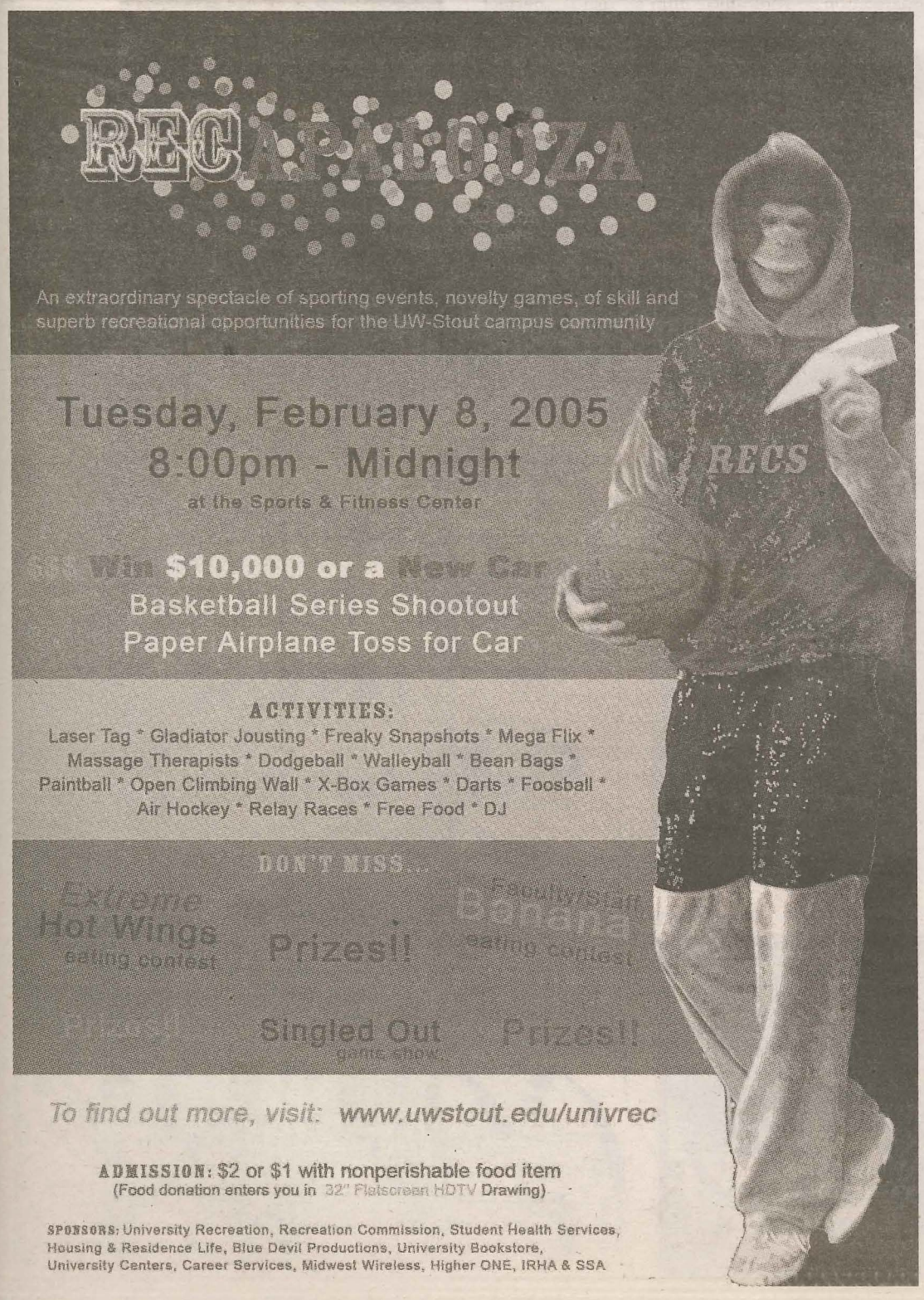
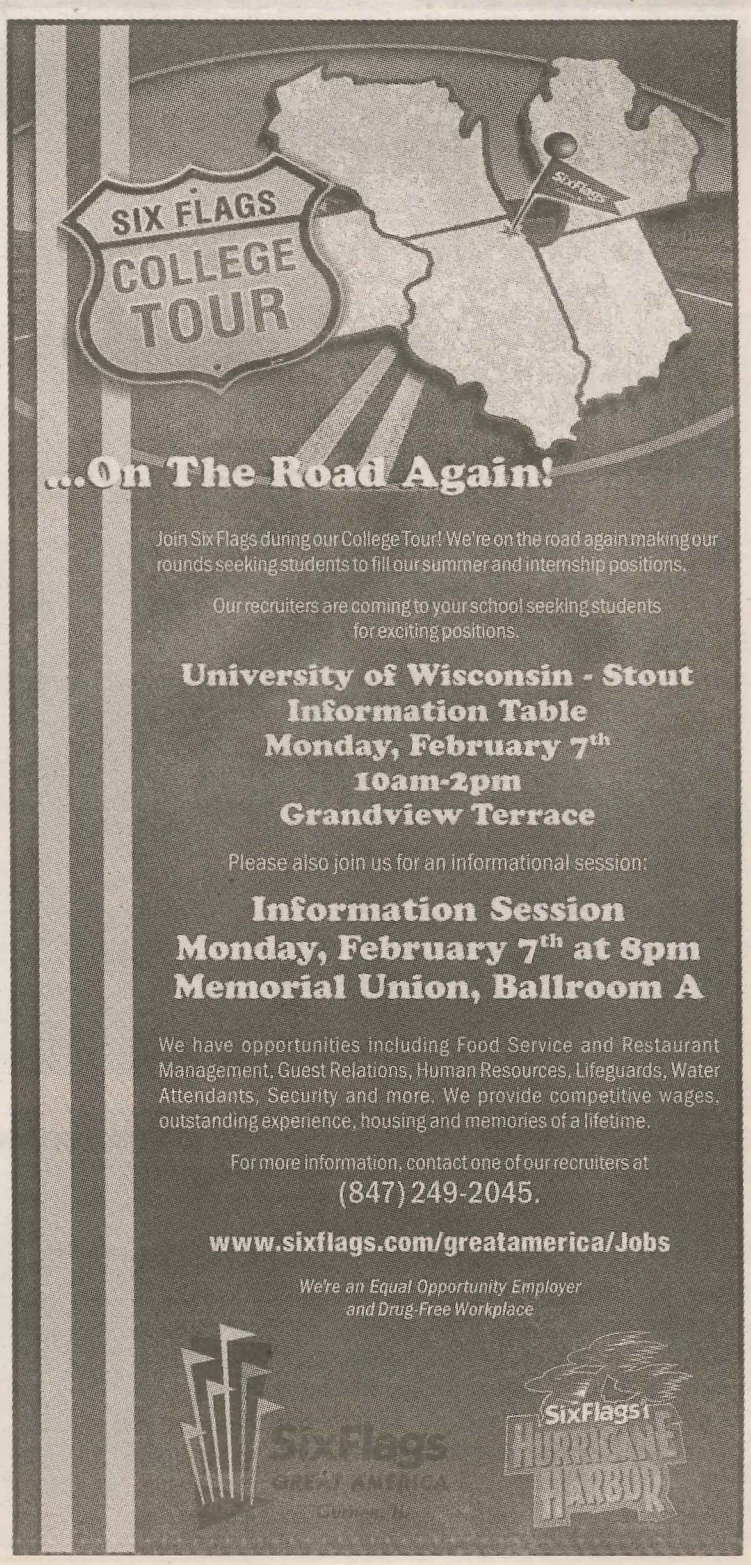
(above) The Mabel Tainter Memorial Theater is rich in entertainment and history. (left) Michael Cooper has a unique way of capturing audiences with his stories.





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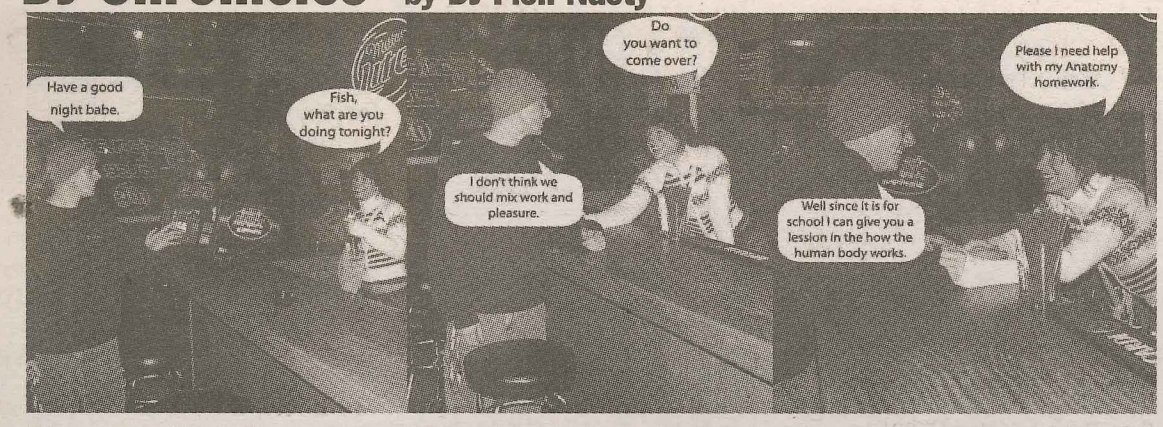

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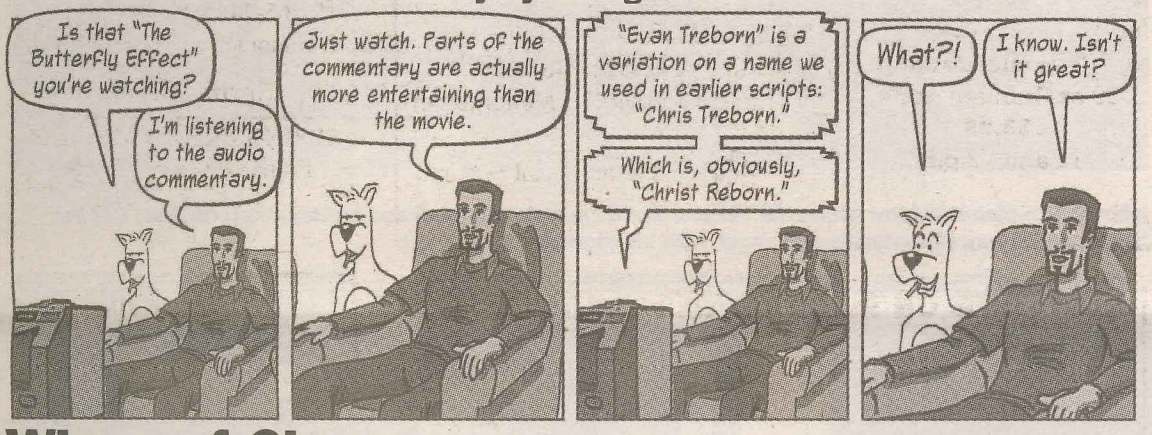

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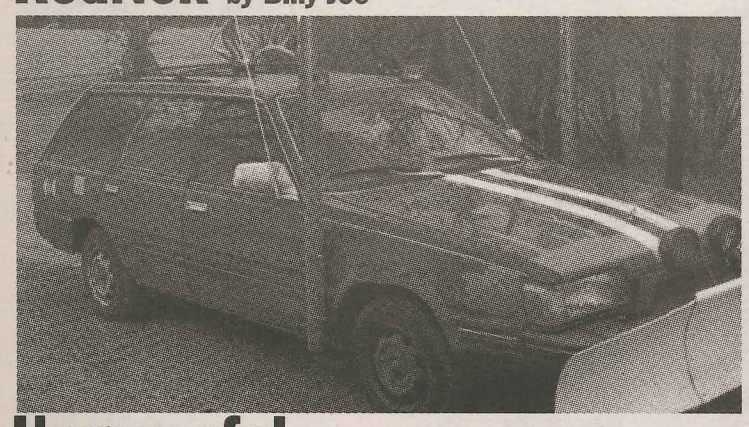

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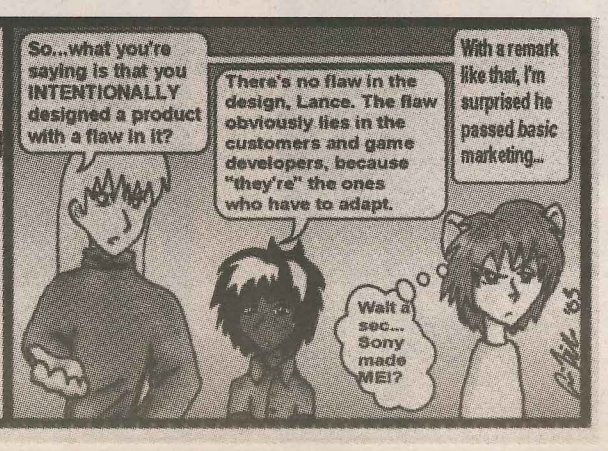

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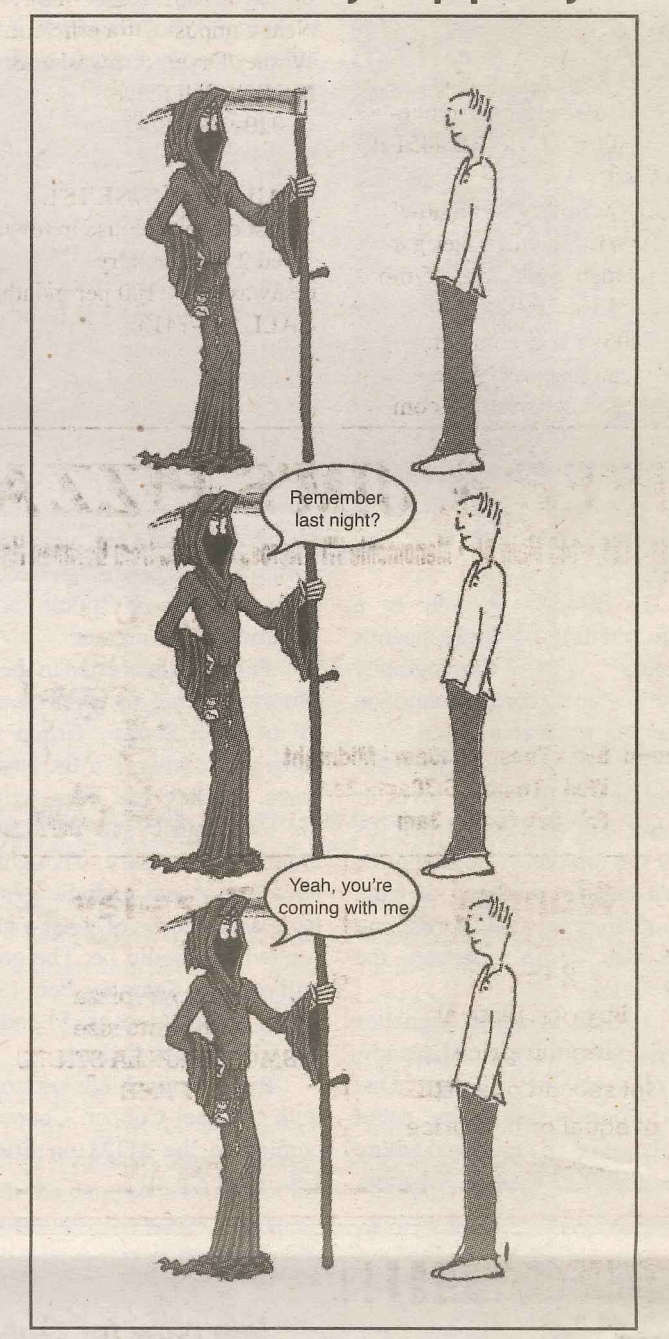

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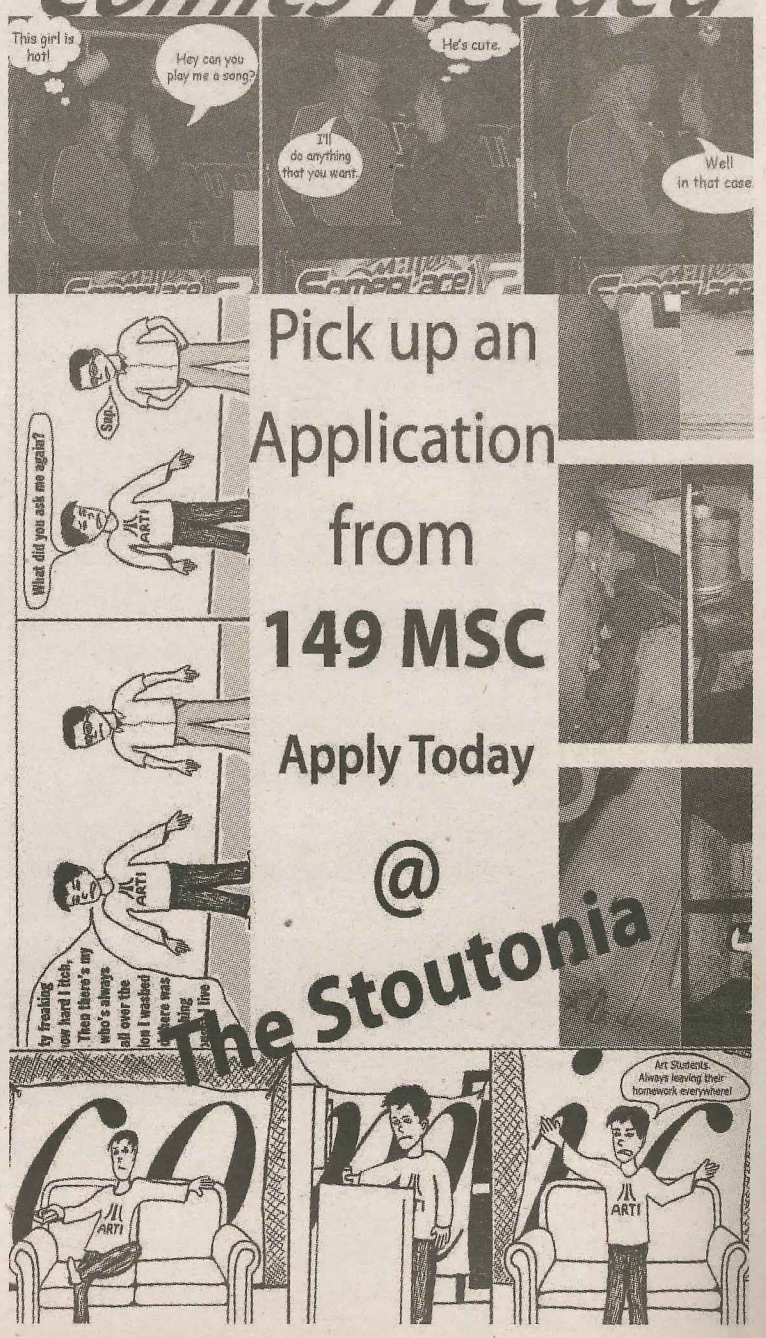

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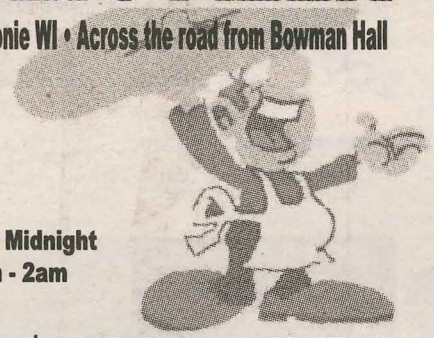

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season, averaging 108.5 yards per game.

In the playoffs, New England has work cut out for them, defensively the Patriots are only one ranking above the Philadelphia defense which means the Super Bowl could be a low scoring, defensive battle.

Patriots safety Rodney Harrison is leading the NFL for tackles in the playoffs, and linebacker Ted Bruschi is not far behind.

Both could play a great role for the Patriots on defense and stop the Eagles from progressing towards the end zone.

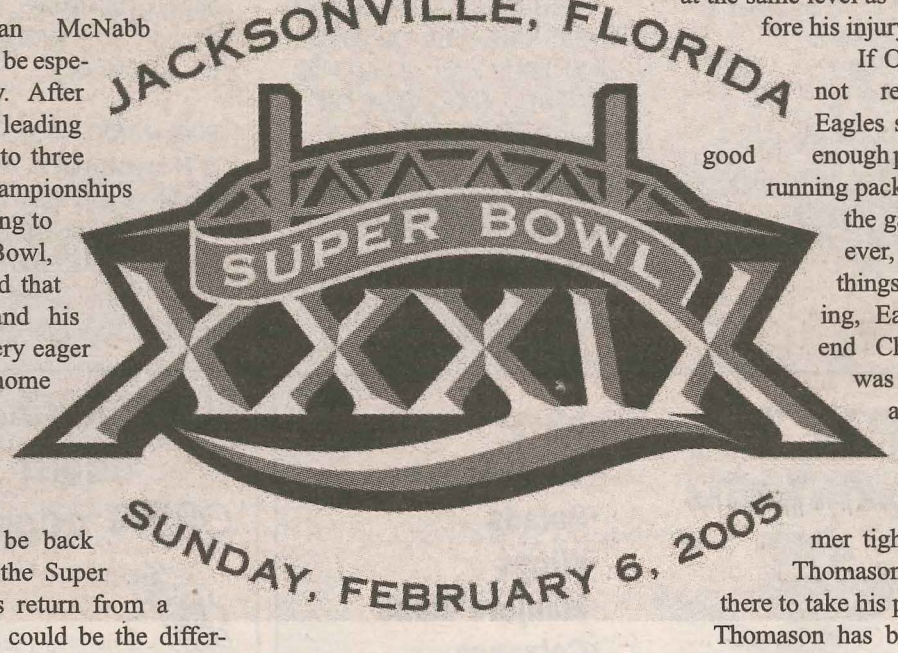
Overall, the Patriots look fired up and it will be hard to stop them from winning a third Super Bowl in only four years.

After three missed chances, the Eagles are finally getting the opportunity to show up for the big game.

Donovan McNabb will need to be especially ready. After previously leading the Eagles to three NFC championships and not going to the Super Bowl, it is assured that McNabb and his team are very eager to come home with a win.

Offensively, Terrell Owens might be back to play in the Super Bowl. His return from a broken leg could be the difference that the Eagles need.

Even though he could be back.team doctors are not clearing him to play. If he is healthy enough to play, his performance will probably not be at the same level as we saw before his injury.



If Owens does not return, the Eagles still have a good enough passing and running package to win the game. However, to make things interesting, Eagles' tight end Chad Lewis was injured and a construction worker and former tight end, Jeff Thomason, will be there to take his place. Thomason has been retired for two years now, but will add to the passing game of the Eagles.

Defensively, the Eagles appear to be flawless. Although they are one ranking below the Patriots, the Super Bowl may be the game where the Eagles come out with an incredible performance.

If the Eagles offense can keep the ball moving and their defense gets quick stops on the Patriots offense, there could be an Eagles Super Bowl win.

It is going to be a very close game. This game should keep you on your feet.

Donovan will light the way for the Eagles, as will Tom Brady. The question is whose defense will hold up better. It will come down to another field goal with a score we have all seen before, Eagles 34, Patriots 31.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Sophmore Kelsey Duoss has been a key factor in the last three wins for the lady Blue Devils.

In the past three games, Duoss has averaged 19.6 points per game and pulled down an average of 11 rebounds per game.

She scored 22 points against the University of Wisconsin-River Falls then had another strong performance against the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point scoring 18 points.

Duoss also led the lady Blue Devils to their first ever sweep of the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, scoring 19 points and hauling in 13 rebounds to give the lady Blue Devils a 61-50 win.

Her efforts have also earned her Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference player of the week.

The Facts:
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Scored 19 points and 13 rebounds in a win over UW-Oshkosh.

Kelsey Duoss
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1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
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1	1	115 1/2 W. Main	$320	$320	$370	$370	Close to campus and downtown	O
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2	1	421 Wilson Ave #5	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
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2	1	1506 1/2 6th St	$330	$165	$400	$200	Enclosed porch, great location	H
2	1	620 15th Ave.	$350	$175	n/a	n/a	Good location, Upstairs duplex	D
2	1	119 1/2 main St.	$380	$190	$430	$215	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	915 1/2 Main St.	$360	$180	$35	$218	Nice Duplex with parking	D
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$450	$150	$570	$190	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	2	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	2	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$500	$167	$650	$217	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$600	$200	$700	$234	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	716 12th Ave.	$500	$167	$650	$217	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$700	$175	$830	$207	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$550	$138	$720	$180	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H

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4	1	1809 6th St.	$600	$150	$760	$190	Washer/dryer, Gas heat, garage.	H
4	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$800	$200	$1000	$250	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$800	$200	$950	$237	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	1+	1515 14th Ave	$600	$150	$750	$188	Gas heat, garage, lg. rooms,,washer/dryer, A/C	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1100	$275	$1100	$275	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$900	$225	$1075	$269	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$500	$125	$720	$180	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$900	$180	$1050	$210	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$900	$180	$1060	$212	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$800	$160	$910	$182	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
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5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2+	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1200	$240	$1400	$237	New location, WashDry	H
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
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7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1190	$170	$1415	$203	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1260	$180	$1485	$213	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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RECaplooza yields fun and prizes

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Already need another break from school? RECapalooza is coming back to campus Tuesday, February 8 from 8 p.m.-midnight. University Recreation along with many other sponsors is proud to bring RECapalooza back to life after a two year hiatus from this campus.

RECapalooza is an extravaganza of various recreational activities with chances to win numerous prizes throughout the evening. One of the biggest attractions to RECapalooza is the big cash prizes.

This year, the first 200 people in the door will have a chance to win a new car, by winning the paper airplane toss. Contestants will make a paper airplane and attempt to throw it into an open car window.

A $10,000 cash prize is also available in a basketball series shootout. In order to win, participants will have to make it through a qualifing round and then 10 people will have the chance to make a layup, free throw, 3-point shot and a half court shot.

"We are very excited to bring this event back to campus after two years without it," said Holly DeMarce, a coordinator of the event. "It is such a great opportunity for students to relieve stress and just have a good time."

Inflatable events also mark the unique qualities of RECapalooza. This year, gladiator jousting and laser tag will be available for everyone. In past years, over 250 people were able to participate in these activities. Other special events will include a Freaky Photos booth and MegaFlix.

Attendees will be able to participate in many other activities including paintball, racquetball, walleyball, rock climbing, beanbags, air hockey, foosball and a Singled Out at Stout game show.

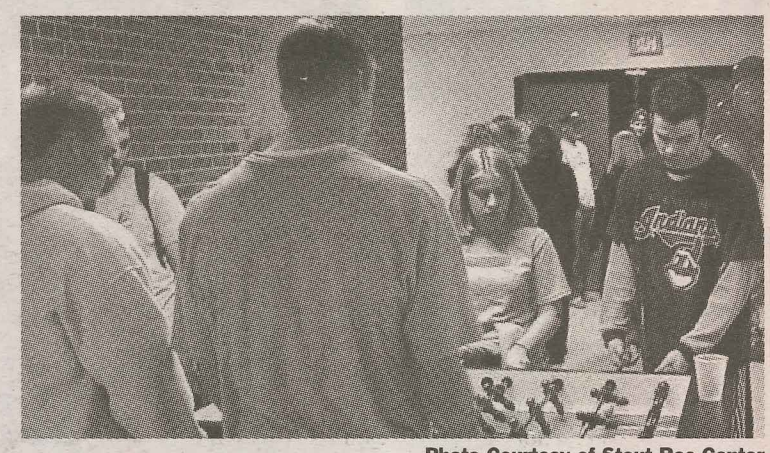
Participation in the game show will require a sign-up. Free food and music will also be provided. The event will come to a close at midnight with relay races.

Door prizes will be given out throughout the evening and include an iPod, digital camera, Xbox and various prizes from area businesses. Admission to the event is $2, or $1 with a non-perishable food item. The food item will also get attendees a chance at winning the grand prize: a 32" flat-screen HD-TV.

Sponsors for this event include: University Recreation, Recreation Commission, Student Health Services, Housing and Resident Life, Blue Devil Productions, University Bookstore, University Centers, Career Services, Higher One, IRHA, SSA and Midwest Wireless.

"This event would not be possible without our sponsors and volunteers," said Tara Helmbrecht, a student on the planning committee. "Everyone has been very generous with support for this event."

RECapalooza is also still looking for volunteers for the event. People can volunteer for either two hour block or the entire night. Shifts would be from 7:30 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. or 9:30 p.m. to 11:45 p.m.



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Foosball is one of the many events to be played at Recapalooza next Tuesday. Students will have a chance to win a car or a TV.

Volunteers can still participate in activities when they are not working and will be eligible for all the door prizes. If volunteers want to be eligible to win the TV, however, they will need to bring a non-perishable food item.

For more information, contact Holly DeMarce at demarceh@uwstout.edu or x-5316.

Watch for the mascot, "Recs" the pink monkey throughout campus this week!

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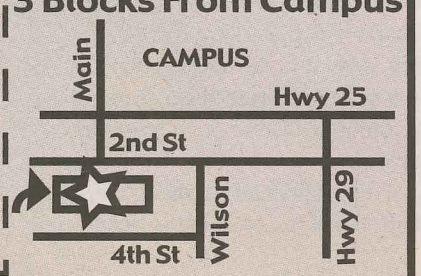

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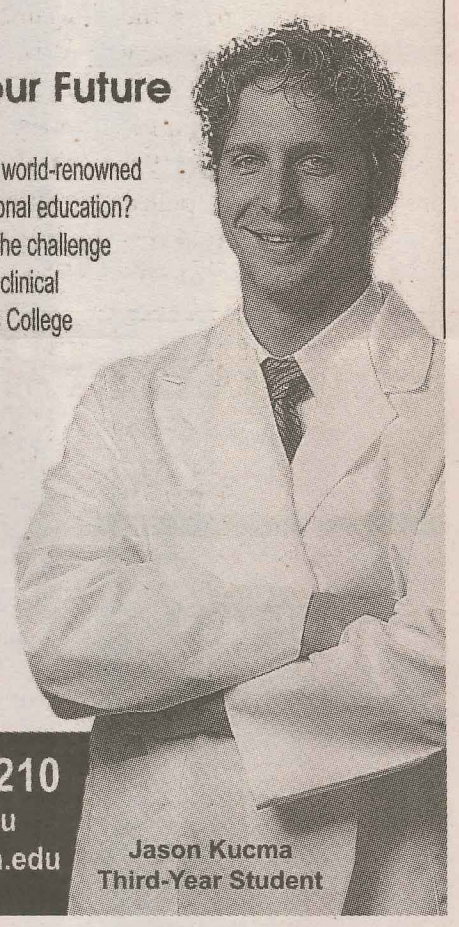

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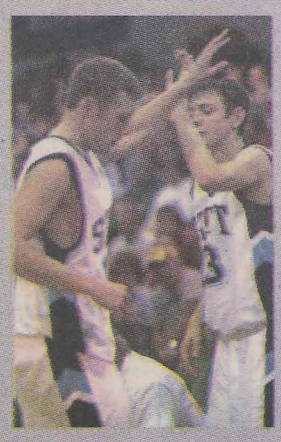
Blue Devil Scoreboard

Men's Basketball
(14-6)

Oshkosh defeated Stout 77-63 on Feb. 2

Next Game:
Feb. 5 hosting Whitewater



Women's Basketball
(15-5)

The Lady Blue Devils defeated Oshkosh 61-50 on Feb. 1

Next Game:
Feb. 5 hosting Whitewater

Gymnastics

The gymnastics team defeated Winona State 177.55-165.875.

Next Match:
Feb 4. at the Gershon/ McLellan Invitational in LaCrosse

Hockey
(8-9-4)

St. Scholastica defeated Stout 5-1

Next Match:
Feb. 4 at Lake Forest

Bringin' the fans

Amanda Rochwite/ Stoutonia

Tyler Carlie helped cheer on the Blue Devil basketball team last weekend. Each sports team held a home game as a part of spirit weekend.

Matt Edison
Sports Writer

In case you missed it, this past weekend was the University of Wisconsin-Stout's festivities weekend. This was a time for the town and the students to come and support their sports teams.

The men's and women's basketball teams each had top conference match-ups against the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Getting two wins would not be an easy task.

The lady Blue Devils had a four game winning streak coming into the game against the Pointers. In the last battle between these two teams, the lady Blue Devils lost in overtime.

This game proved to have the same intensity.

With only 4.8 seconds left in regulation senior, Erin Churchill, brought the ball down the court in and dished it to junior, Molly Hendricks, for a game tying layup.

In overtime the Pointers top players got into foul trouble which helped push the Blue Devils past the Pointers to take a 76-68 win.

"We hung in there and made the key shots and played good defense," said senior Lindsey Erichsen.

Sophomore Kelsey Duoss was an asset to the team by scoring a season high 18 points. Duoss scored five of the points in overtime.

Churchill, Hendricks and Erichsen each put nine points on the board.

In the men's game, getting the win would not be an easy task. Not only did the Blue Devils have to face the top team in the conference, the Pointers men are currently the top team in the nation.

The Blue Devils trailed for most of the first half, but managed to take the lead from the top team going into halftime.

Unfortunately the basket shrunk for UW-Stout early in the second half and the Pointers took back the lead and held it as the Blue Devils suffered a 64-52 loss.

The Pointers out shot the Blue Devils 50 percent to 35 percent.

The gymnastics team had its first home meet and was victorious this weekend against Winona State.

Blue Devils' Chelsea Becker and each Rhian Paulson each took first place at the meet. Becker won the vault while Paulson won the floor exercise.

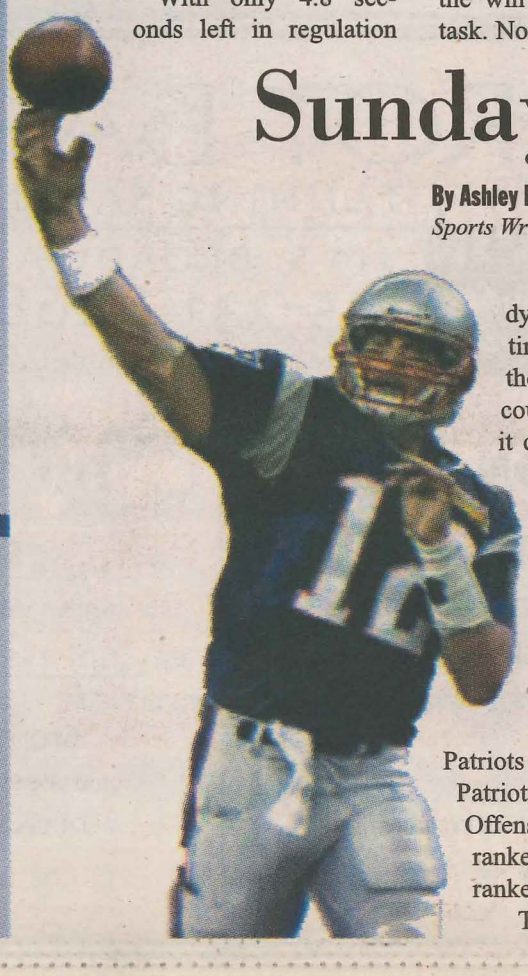
Ashley Timm ended the day with three second place finishes in the beam, floor and all-around competition.

"It was fun getting the audience involved with the pull up contest," said junior Rhian Paulson. "We had some faults but overall I think we did well as a team and pulled through," said Paulson.

On Friday, Jan. 28 the men's hockey team found themselves in overtime for the second straight game against the University of Wisconsin-Superior. After losing the last game 2-1, the Blue Devils managed to hang on, but only for a 2-2 tie.

The team then traveled to Duluth on Saturday to play St. Scholastica. The Saints downed the Blue Devils 5-2.

Sunday's Super Showdown



By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

There is a time when dynasties begin, and a time when they end. For the Philadelphia Eagles, it could be the beginning or it could be the end if they lose the Super Bowl to the New England Patriots.

The Patriots are looking redhot in the playoffs and show no signs of letting off the gas.

The last time the Patriots played the Eagles, the Patriots took a 24-6 victory. Offensively, New England is ranked 7th and the Eagles are ranked 9th.

Tom Brady is not shooting off huge numbers statistically in the playoffs, but the efforts have earned him second among quarterbacks just behind Eagles quarterback, Donovan McNabb.

If you are a Patriots fan, you really should not be too worried.

Brady has been known to show good performances when challenges and big games come his way, not to mention he has a number of wide receivers and running backs to help him out as well.

Patriots' running back Cory Dillon has run well in the post

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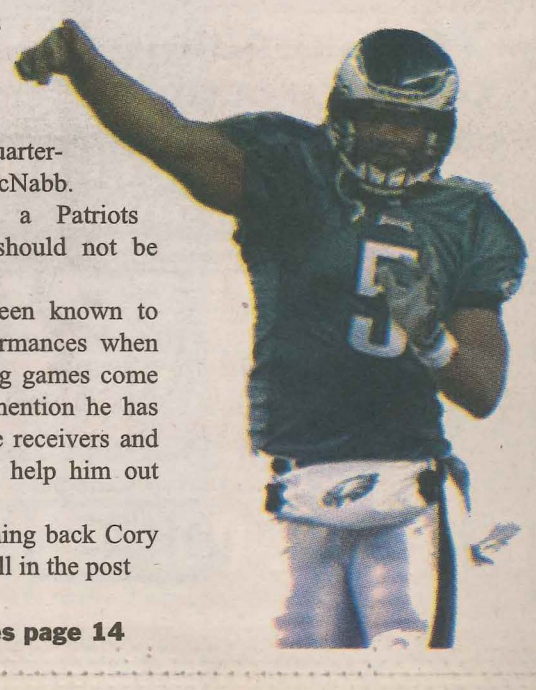

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Professor accused of sex crime

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

On Thursday, Dec. 16, 2004 Scott Orme, professor of school psychology was taken into custody by University of Wisconsin-Stout Police at the request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Orme is accused of intending to have sex with a minor during the fall of 2000 in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was taken into custody and moved to Madison, where he was released on bond because the federal magistrate in Madison did not believe that Orme is a flight risk.

Orme made a federal court appearance in Salt Lake City on Wednesday, Jan. 12, and entered a plea of not guilty.

"[Orme] is adamant that he is not guilty of any criminal wrong-doing in this case," says attorney Chris Van Wagner.

After being released in Madison, Orme returned to UW-Stout to meet with campus officials and present his side of the issue.

"We listened to his explanations of the situation and then subsequently placed him on paid administrative leave, and that will be his status until the matter is resolved," says UW-Stout administration official, John Enger.

Paid administrative leave allows Orme to retain his position until a result is achieved in his case, although he is not teaching courses or allowed on campus.

Orme is said to have traveled to Utah in 2000 with the intent of having sex with a 14-year-old girl, according to the FBI. Orme has known the girl since she was in the fourth grade.

Prosecutors say a relationship formed when the girl sought Orme's counseling services, and later she became a babysitter to his children.

E-mails were exchanged after he moved from Utah to work at UW-Stout in the fall of 2000, but it didn't become a matter for the court system until November 16 of that year. It was then that the girl's mother intercepted e-mails and alerted authorities.

"When he came back to Utah he was at his home, and I guess probably waiting for the girl to show up. But instead, law enforcement showed up and arrested him, and charges were screened to the prosecutor but not pursued at that time, and what should have happened is someone federally should have prosecuted," says Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul Amann.

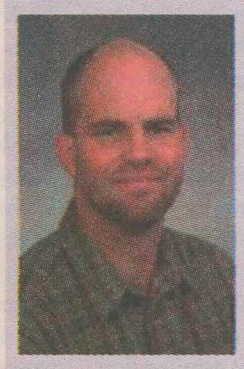
In one note provided by the U.S. Attorney General's Office, he apologized to the girl's parents for, in his words, "destroying their trust."

Orme will have a four-day jury trial in Salt Lake City beginning March 24.

Orme has been a professor at UW-Stout since 2000 when he and his family moved here to be closer to his wife's family. His wife is originally from Marshfield, and he enjoyed having his two children in the school system here, which he though was better than the schools in Utah.

Orme is professionally interested in psychometric theory and neuropsychology and teaches Theories and Techniques of Behavior Modification, Psychometric Theory and Application, Advanced Mental Testing and Personality Assessment in the Ed.S. school psychology program.

Scott Orme



Overview

Salt Lake City native Scott Orme has been teaching at the University of Wisconsin-Stout for four years. He is a professor of School Psychology currently on paid administrative leave.

Orme is being charged with intention to have sex with a 14-year-old girl in Salt Lake City in 2000. Orme will be on trial for four days in Salt Lake City beginning on March 24.

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Stout server compromised

By Jesse Young
News Writer

On Saturday Jan. 22, an unknown person gained access to the campus network server in Millennium Hall and loaded software programs onto one of the primary servers.

Hackers typically do this in order to make the server available for their own uses. It is believed that when the Ask 5000 staff became aware of the hacker, the person started to delete files, trying to break the system and disable it.

"The hacking incident on Jan. 22 was only less than a week's damage and was easily fixable" said Joe Brown, Chief Information Officer of Ask 5000. "We were prepared."

This attack was then repeated many times until one of the staff members removed the machine from the network in order to physically stop the assailant's attacks.

The main reason that the hacker was able to get into the system was because one of the

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Antrim-Froggatt terror over

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

On Feb. 8, Laura Hartung plead no contest to three felonies and one misdemeanor according to University of Wisconsin – Stout Police.

Laura Hartung

Authorities have accused Hartung, a UW-Stout graduate, with the fall 2001 string of fires or fire alarms, false alarms and bomb threats in Antrim-Froggatt (AF) residence hall.

The multiple, on-campus bomb threats, carpet and poster fires and false alarms taking place in AF seemed to be in the same spirit of the events of Sept. 11, which occurred during the same time.

The felonies are bail jumping, second degree reckless endangerment and causing a bomb scare.

The misdemeanor is pulling a fire alarm.

Hartung, who was a student personnel manager in AF in 2002, moved out of AF in March of 2003. She had graduated in December 2002 but was still taking classes. During the 2001-2002 school year, Hartung was a resident advisor (RA) in AF.

Scott Griesbach, director of residence life, does not consider these events acts of terrorism but merely a desperate cry for help from an individual who required mental attention.

Accusations against Hartung were the result of a tedious, two-year search.

"It was a lengthy investigation and she admitted to doing it," said John Enger, director of University Relations.

However, Enger points out that the university did not force Hartung to leave campus.

The university hopes to seek restitution through the course of events in court.

"We have submitted documentation to the Dunn County DAs office for just over $57,000 in restitution," said Lisa Walter, chief of University Police.

Sentencing is scheduled for April 11 at 9:30 a.m. in branch two of Dunn County Circuit Court.

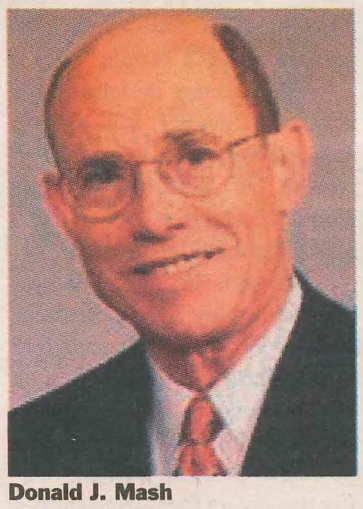
UWEC's Mash to System

Mash moves to UW-System

MADISON — To help maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of the University of Wisconsin System, President Kevin P. Reilly has appointed Donald J. Mash, chancellor of UW-Eau Claire, to serve as UW System Executive Senior Vice President.

"The time is right for this change, and Don Mash is the best individual to manage the tasks at hand," Reilly said. "I have observed Chancellor Mash's administrative performance for several years, and I am convinced that his senior leadership is precisely what the UW System needs. We are fortunate to be able to tap the talents and institutional knowledge of one of Wisconsin's most experienced and respected higher education leaders."

According to Reilly, the creation of an executive vice president post was recommended following an independent review of the UW System administrative structure which was released this fall. The position is made possible by Reilly's restructuring of UW System administration and the cost savings from eliminating two positions – Senior Vice President for Administration, which will become vacant March 1, and Vice President for University Relations, which was eliminated as of Feb. 1. The combined position is one



Donald J. Mash

of several efficiency and effectiveness initiatives President Reilly included in his report to the Joint Legislative Audit Committee on Feb. 1.

Appointment of the Executive Senior Vice President will allow President Reilly to focus on strengthening the UW System's statewide partnerships with Wisconsin leaders and citi

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UNIX servers was experiencing problems a week before, and it had a weakness that could be exploited. The Ask 5000 staff was in the process of fixing it when the system came under attack.

The problem initially looked like the hardware was experiencing a malfunction, but then the technicians saw that there was new software and new files on the system that were not normally present. The subnet server was then disabled, and taken off line.

During the weekend, technicians worked for 33 hours transferring data and installing Windows software onto the UNIX servers in order to make them better equipped.

This is not the first time the server here at UW-Stout has been intruded upon. According to Mark Dodor, the network supervisor at Ask 5000, since Jan. 27, 8,000 attempts have been made on just one subnet server out of the 200 subnet servers.

The high bandwidth Internet on college campuses all over the UW-System are very attractive to hackers that want to use the high speed internet for their own uses. Although there are a lot of attempts on our system at UW-Stout, the network is considered fairly safe from intruders.

There are at least 200,000 e-mails that come to UW-Stout everyday and 3 percent of them have viruses in them. That means that in one month, about 213,000 virus infected emails pass through our system.

The security system that is in place is SNORT. It is an open source program that is used to protect our network and can identify nearly everyone who tries to hack into the system.

Attempts to enter our system are usually by expert hackers from China, Germany and Japan. The Ask 5000 staff then send an email to the alleged assailants warning them that they have been seen and warned. Usually this deters them from further attempts. The security system is updated on a regular basis.

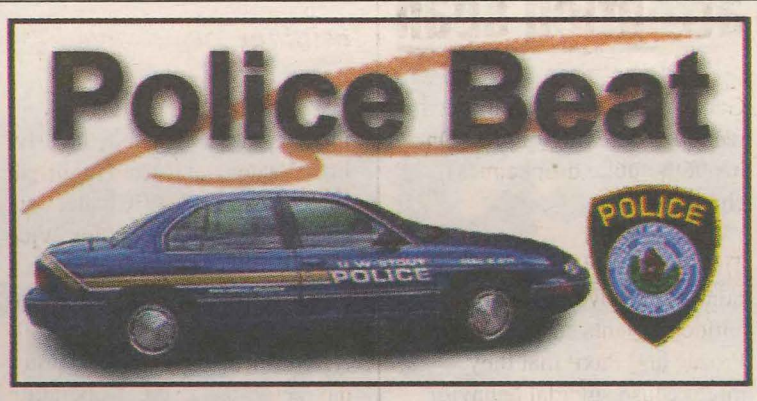
Stout students have been fairly obedient in the past and have respected the network that has been put in place here, although there have been some attempts by students to gain access. Most of them are people trying to share movies and create gaming servers. The students who actually try to disable the network are discovered and are then referred for dismissal by the CIO of Ask 5000.

"The only people that are going to get hurt are the students," said Mark Dodor.

Students generally don't have to worry about being subjected to a hacker because of the firewall put in place on the network. The best shield against an attack is to keep up with the patches that Ask 5000 provides and the patches that Microsoft gives out.

"We are going to detect it. We will know who you are, and you will be punished accordingly," said Brown. "The reason for this harsh penalty is because what if someone disables the network during finals week? We can't have that happening; it would hurt all of the 8,000 students here at Stout."

The incident on Jan. 22 was reported to the police. No one at UW-Stout is considered a suspect.



By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

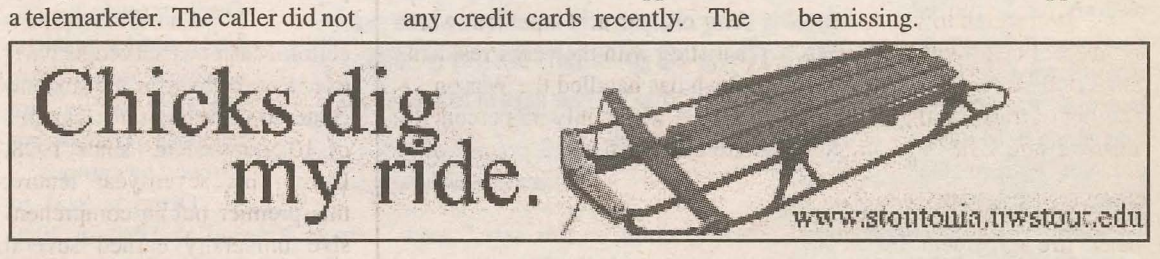
Underage Drinking 1st Offense: 3 Underage Drinking 3rd Offense: 1 Possession of Drug Paraphernalia: 2

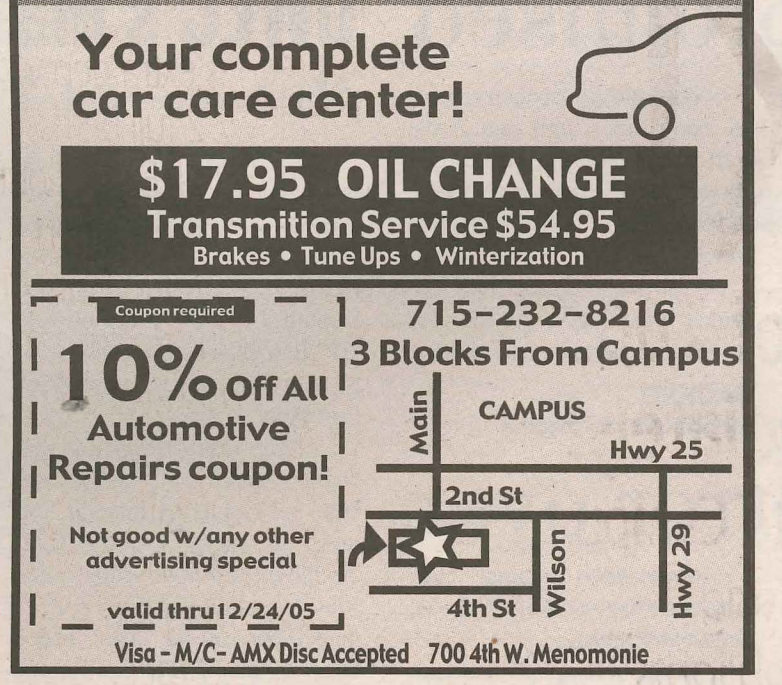
Pianos generally don't go far
On Feb. 2, staff reported a 2,000-pound piano missing. It had been pushed across the hall.

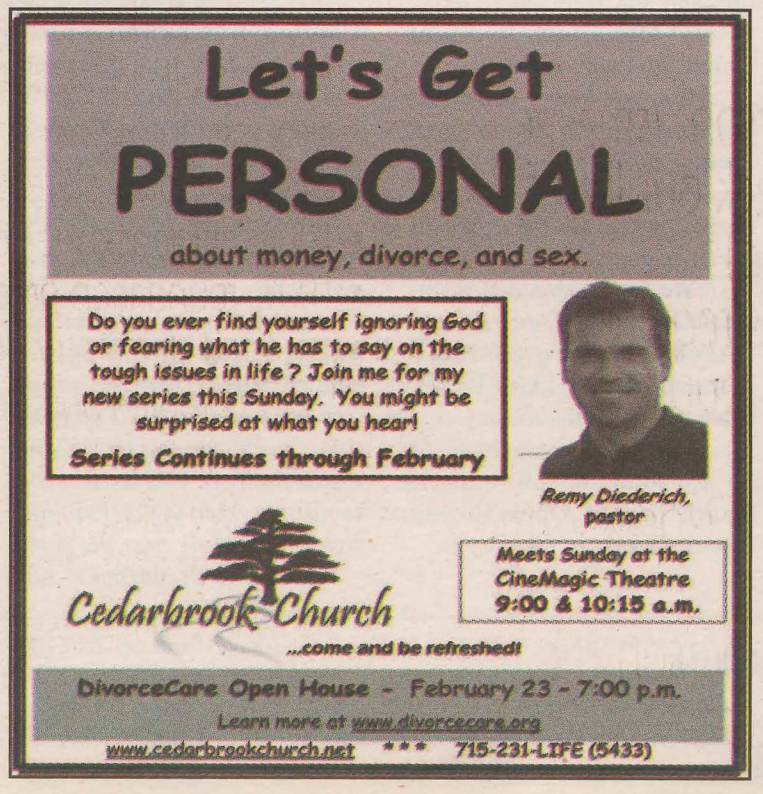
Check that credit report
A student reported a case of possible identity theft on Feb. 2. She had received a call at her dorm room, from a male with a foreign accent that sounded like a telemarketer. The caller did not state what company he worked for, and he knew the student's address. The caller then asked for personal information, and the student gave her date of birth and social security number. The caller then proceeded to ask for the student's parents' information on bank accounts, which the student did not give any information. The caller also asked how the she was paying for school, if she was employed anywhere and about her income was. The student said she could not understand what the caller was asking because of his accent. The student had not applied for any credit cards recently. The reporting officer advised the student to contact a credit bureau and inform her bank of the possible fraud.

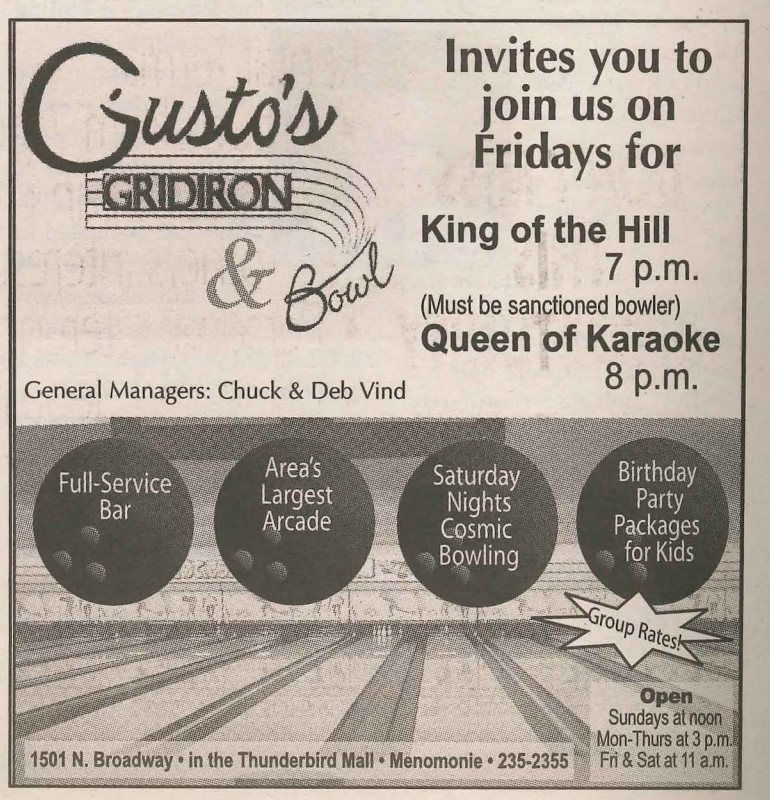
Stealing bikes is not profitable
On Feb. 5, at 11:55 p.m., an officer was dispatched to Antrim-Froggatt to respond to a complaint of six males tampering with bikes. The males where pulling on the bikes in the racks by North Hall. One bike was taken from North Hall and placed in the racks next to Antrim-Froggatt. A physical description of the males could not be given. The bike, a Specialized Crossroads, taken from North Hall, was placed back in the bike racks. Several units checked the area but did not find anyone.

Neither is stealing snowboards
A student's car in Lot 4 was broken into on Feb. 6. The student reported that the driver's side window was smashed sometime between 10:30p.m. and 4:24p.m. the next day. A K2 snowboard is all that appears to be missing.









NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

The University of California – Berkeley has been shaken over the years by black-market sales of body parts from cadavers donated for research to the university. To combat this and better track bodies, Berkeley is considering tracking them with supermarket-style barcodes or RFID tags.

The House of Delegates in Virginia has authorized a bill that disallows low-riding pants. A $50 fine can be levied for having pants low enough to view underwear.

The City of Menomonie issued a bill of $11,798.06 to the re-election committee of George W. Bush for the August high-speed drive through. The bill was returned unpaid, as the committee declined to pay it, citing the Secret Service provides protection for the president. The president did not stop in Menomonie, but drove down Hwy. 29 through town. Menomonie Police provided services such as barricades and the re-routing of traffic and parking to insure a safe visit.

Israel and Palestine reached a cease-fire agreement this week. Finally.

Gary W. Rodgers was arrested recently in Lexington, Ky. On his 96th public drunkenness charge.

The Food and Drug administration has removed its warning on antidepressants such as Zoloft, Prozac and Paxil that they might cause suicidal behavior and stated now that these drugs might only have an increased risk of such behavior.

A recent study states that most young adults believe in the value of college, but many have not attended for various reasons including poor preparation, financial issues, or just plain laziness.

Drummer for the Doobie Brothers, Keith Knudsen died of pneumonia on Tuesday at age 56.

According to a recent poll, most Americans are satisfied with the War on Terror. 64 percent were satisfied with the way President Bush has handled the War on Terror, while only 35 percent are not satisfied.

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zens, as well as advocating for the UW's role in driving Wisconsin toward a bright future. The 15 UW Chancellors and UW System Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Cora Marrett, will continue to report directly to President Reilly. Mash will manage day-to-day activities as chief operating officer and deputy for administration to the president. Mash's two-year appointment as Executive Senior Vice President, with an annual salary of $230,000, will begin on March 1.

"In accepting President Reilly's invitation to join his administration, I'm both mindful of, and energized by, the challenges facing the UW today and welcome the opportunity to continue serving this great university in a different capacity," said Mash. "I share President Reilly's ambitious vision for the UW System and the potential it has to strengthen Wisconsin's prospects for the future."

As UW-Eau Claire Chancellor, Mash has served as chief executive officer for the student-centered, residential campus of 10,500 students since 1998. During his seven-year tenure, this premier public comprehensive university earned several national honors and a national reputation for quality. Mash has also led the university's first-ever comprehensive fundraising campaign, which achieved its $35 million goal more than a year ahead of schedule and is now aiming for a goal of $50 million.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Chancellor at UW-Eau Claire," Mash said. "It is an incredible campus with terrific people. I'll miss it, and I leave the campus setting with mixed emotions."

Mash earned his Ph.D. in higher education at Ohio State University, his M.A. in geography at the University of Pittsburgh and his B.S. in education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

"Don Mash clearly has the skills and experience to manage the UW System's daily operations, advise and assist our 15 UW institutions and direct critical strategic planning," said Board of Regents President Toby E. Marcovich. "I have full confidence that, working together, our university leaders will maintain momentum and help improve our service to the state."

"President Reilly has given careful consideration to the changes he is recommending to improve the UW System's administration and services," said UW-Superior Chancellor Julius Erlenbach. "I have worked closely with Chancellor Mash, and while UW-Eau Claire will miss his leadership, Don's experience and commitment to public higher education will benefit the system as a whole."

Reilly will recommend that the Board of Regents appoint Dr. Vicki Lord Larson, a former UW-Eau Claire faculty member and administrator to serve as interim Chancellor at UW-Eau Claire. She has also served as a Dean and University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh provost and vice chancellor. A search-and-screen committee for a permanent successor to Chancellor Mash will be named in the coming weeks.

"President Reilly and I are both pleased that Vicki Larson is returning to the Eau Claire campus, given her knowledge of UW-Eau Claire and the UW System," added Mash. "She is a strong and capable leader, and I will do whatever I can to make her transition and interim leadership successful.

"Don and I agree that there are challenging times ahead for all of us in public higher education," Reilly said. "With the extraordinary teams we have in place throughout the UW System, this university system will meet any challenge and emerge stronger, serving in the interest of the people of Wisconsin."

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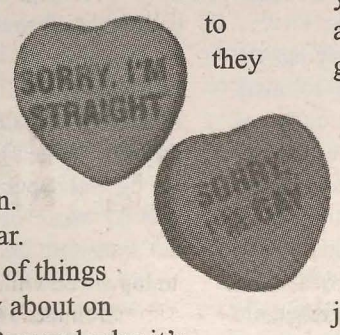
Why Valentine's Day is just a game

The Stoutonia Staff
Staff Editorial

Happy Valentine's Day *Stoutonia* readers.

That's right; it's time for everyone's favorite forced holiday, V-Day.

February 14 often causes many to worry that the gift they got isn't good enough and cause many more to worry that they won't find their Valentine, their special person.



Never fear. Here is a list of things people worry about on Valentine's Day and why it's not worth the time worrying your pretty little head off:

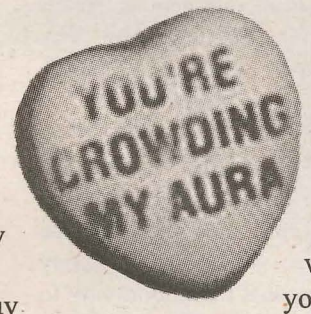
Affection

More acurately, Public Displays of Affection. Nothing says "Ha ha. We're happy" quite like a PDA.

Are PDAs an attempt to enrage the single population? Probably not. For people in a relationship, the rest of the world ceases to exist when they are with each other.

V-Day gifts

You might hear a lot of people calling it V-Day because they are lazy and don't want to waste their precious time saying the whole word. Then again, people have been known to call it V-Day because just like an important date in WWII, battles will be fought.



Ask any lady for help getting a gift for a guy and you'll probably get an answer like, "Are you kidding? Guys are impossible to buy gifts for!"

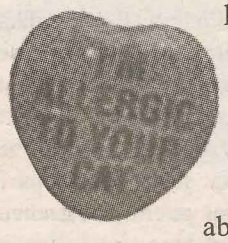
But a guy can buy anything and have it backfire because of all the emotion attached to V-Day.

What about Flowers? "They'll just die."

Candy? "Oh, you want to make me fat?"

Jewelry? "Not very creative."

And finally…



Lingerie? "That must be for your other girlfriend, because I'm not wearing that."

Perhaps this isn't how all people view Valentine's Day, but it's hard to ignore the fact that this holiday is forced on the unsuspecting population.

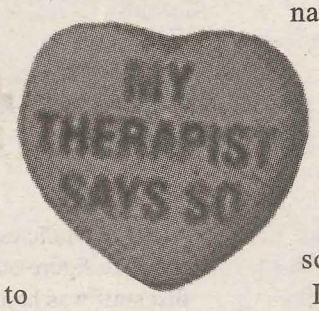
Lack of communication can be a serious problem when it comes to gift buying. Have you tried asking your significant other what they want as a gift?

Reasons

Christmas is forced on people because stores want to sell stuff, but people honestly do enjoy giving gifts or at least getting gifts. Now, Valentine's Day, is another story. Outside of February, when was the last time you saw a guy debating which stuffed animal to buy because he just plain wanted to buy a stuffed animal?

It doesn't happen. Valentine's Day is a forced holiday - it forces people to buy junk and act crazy. The reason people act crazy about February is because of this forced holiday.

Don't believe us? Think about this. Why wasn't "The Dating Game" more realistic? First of all it is somewhat entertaining to see people answer weird questions like, "Contestant number two, if I were a car that was having trouble getting started up, how would you fix me?"



Nobody talks like that. Think about what guys would really say:

"Ummm... Contestant number… Screw it. Are any of you hot?"

And you know those girls on that show would say, "So, are you a stud or a dud? Oh! Do you have money?"

Here are the facts: the reason people act the way they do is because the holiday or circumstances demand they act that way.

Everything is changing in the name of the game. Even those little heart-shaped candies have updated sayings on them that you never would have when you were in grade school.

If there were a Valentine's Day "Fear Factor," where a guy had to chose between buying a gift for his girl or eating a five-course meal of cow testicle, llama tongue, spider eggs, fish tails and donkey butt, the guy is going to suddenly be hungry.

It's not that he doesn't love his girlfriend, he's just playing the game, and for too many people in the world, life and more specifically Valentine's Day, is just a game.

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Lacking intelligent thoughts is a sign of happiness

As it turns out, being happy can easily be confused with being dumb, according to Nirvana and Joe

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

Isn't it just stupefyingly amazing how much one's life can change in only a year's time?

I find it amazing, anyway.

One year ago, if you had asked me how I was, there was a very good chance that you would have been met with an evil looking glare; I walked around claiming to be the offspring of Holden Caulfield and Kurt Cobain. Angry? Yes. But anger is, after all, a secondary emotion; mine stemmed from frustration.

The frustration sprung from a great many things; many were personal and just as many weren't so personal. In fact, last spring was spent dreaming of just taking off and not telling a soul, just up and leaving, flying away to New Zealand where I would apply to be a janitor for the Weta Workshop.

Lets fast-forward to the present. I'm student teaching, I don't have any stressful classes and my personal life is very calm. At the moment all I can think of is a line from a Nirvana song.

"I think I'm dumb…or maybe just happy"

Happy? Me? Nothing to preach about, no soul devouring worries and even with the fast onset of one of the absolute, silliest holidays coming I'm not even worrying about the opposite sex for a change. I think I may be happy. I'm not quite sure how to handle this.

To connect happy with the state of mind of "dumb" is interesting to me. What does that mean? For me, at the moment, I do feel dumb. When I get home from student teaching, I feel like a clean chalkboard, absolutely wiped, not much inspiration to draw or write.

Frustrating? Yeah, but I'm not angry, not yet, anyway. It is frustrating. I have ideas, tons. They float and flop through my head. They mostly do this in hiding; ever so often they allow small glimpses of themselves, like a killer early in a horror film. The suspense starts, but unlike these films, nothing follows it.

I am greatly enjoying my student teaching. It doesn't seem like work to me, not yet, anyway.

I have a lot of fun with the students. We joke and work, and at the end of the day I feel good. I don't care for the exhaustion. This is mental exhaustion; the kind you can only get from a mob of children all crying your name and all wanting your attention at once.

I'm looking forward to "adult life," but if this is what it's like, I may be tempted to rejoin academia as a student sooner than later. I'll miss this constant new learning, being challenged and challenging professors (a fun pasttime). Yes, teaching is challenging. I won't argue that, but in a different way.

I'm going to miss academia, whatever that is. Next week I may just try to answer that.

The "Dumb or Just Happy" Test

Happiness is a state of mind where the individual feels that "life is good." It is more than just an experience of joy or pleasure. Here are some ways to tell if you are happy or unhappy:

What causes happiness?

- Steady progress towards goals
- Good self-esteem
- Feeling of control over one's life
- Supportive and warm relationships
- Satisfying work
- Enjoyable leisure activities
- Good attitude
- Healthy body
- Moderation in everything
- Impersonal interests

What causes unhappiness?

- Lack of any of the basics of life
- Failure to achieve goals
- Envy
- Loneliness
- Boredom
- Relationship problems
- Fear of opinion of others

Are women happier than men?

Studies have shown that gender does not affect happiness. Women can be as happy or unhappy as men.

Does physical fitness affect happiness?

A fit and healthy body helps a happy state of mind, but like wealth, the mind adjusts to it soon, and it ceases to be a factor. Similarly with a disease or an illness, a positive attitude overcomes its adverse impact on the feeling of happiness.

Source: www.myhappiness.com

Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Good Point

I appreciated your Feb. 3, 2005 Stoutonia editorial commenting on the lack of knowledge students have about the First Amendment.

Dr. Tom Franklin of the UW-Stout Psychology Department discovered this same fact is true of Wisconsin citizens generally when he conducted a survey last spring.

You can get a complete copy of that survey from Dr. Franklin or myself, or you can see the survey questions and results on-line at http://faculty.uwstout.edu/shiellt/freespeech1/fssurvey.shtml.

This lack of knowledge has caused me to start building a free speech education website (http://faculty.uwstout.edu/shiellt/freespeech1/index.shtml) and to start teaching teachers how to introduce K-12 students to their rights as U.S. citizens through interesting Wisconsin events and cases.

If any reader is interested in learning more about their First Amendment rights or has questions, feel free to contact me and I'll do my best to help.

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Remember, the SSA daily e-mail is a service requested by a large number of student organizations every week. SSA is currently investigating adding an unsubscribe feature to our college's e-mail service.

Bradley Stafford
SSA President

Last letter on this

I'm going to make this debate just one degree more ridiculous. This is a letter to the editor in response to a letter to the editor in response to a staff editorial that was in response to a letter to the editor.

Seriously, how many people are going to complain that the *Stoutonia* sucks and then never bother to make it better?

I love the thought of Travis J. Ekbom spending his Christmas break mulling over how sucky the *Stoutonia* was last semester and how lame it was that they tried to defend themselves.

Hours of thought and countless family and peer edits later, the letter to end all letters to the editor was finally complete. His masterpiece! The one that would actually shut down the *Stoutonia* for good and put an end to the debate over its quality.

If you hate the paper don't read it or help make it worth reading.

Brian Legg
UW-Stout Graduate 2004

Not a matter of death, but life

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

I have it all: A family that loves me no matter how much I screw up my life, a boyfriend that supports me when I screw up his life, good grades and dare I say I'm fairly smart, funny and attractive. Yet towards the end of last October, I hit rock bottom so hard I almost didn't come out of it with my life.

Who admits that? I know, it sounds kind of crazy, but I think people need to know why life is so deserving of living.

In the past year, I've been through a major breakup, incredible debt, the birth of a nephew, the loss of a nephew, and a scary amount of drug use.

I've sold books door to door for 80 hours a week, went through major depression, moved back in with my parents, became a part time student and flunked one of the two classes I was taking.

The whole time I was trying to figure out why all of this stuff was happening to me, all I could see was complete darkness surrounding every aspect of life and all I couldn't see was the truth of everything that was actually going on.

When I was going through the motions of life but not really living my life, sleeping every day and ignoring my responsibilities, I felt as if I left this life, everyone else would simply go on with their own lives. In time my death would be of no consequence.

Then, recently, a girl I knew died in a car accident. I didn't even know her that well, but I couldn't help the tears from cascading down my face. She was just going home. How many times in your day are you, "just going home?" To think as she was driving, she never knew she only had five minutes left to live.

Just going home. She was just going home.

Everyone has their own skeletons. Everyone has their own insecurities and problems, and everyone deals with them differently. You can choose to let life affect you positively, or you can choose to let it affect you negatively. In all honesty, it is your choice.

A person's death will affect every single person they've ever met, whether they believe that or not. It's not something that just goes away or that people just get over. It is the final answer to a temporary problem, and it solves nothing. Trust me.

If you knew you had five minutes left on earth, who would you call? When they answered, what would you say? Now answer this, do they know what you'd say? Because if they don't, it may be time for you to pick up your phone and let them know.

Tomorrow is promised to no one, which is scary when today really has no guarantees, either. Luckily for me, I have family and friends that supported me through everything, and get this: life did go on; things did get better.

I decided that I'm going to do the one thing in life that I love to do more than anything: write. I'm not going to spend my life in a job that doesn't light a passionate fire in my stomach - one that I wake up to and wish I could get out of. Life is simply too short to not love every moment.

I don't know if I'm good at writing; I don't know if I can make it. Some people might even think I'm making a stupid decision. All I know is that every moment, since I was a little girl, I have wanted to write. It's my passion; it's what I live for. For me not to write would be stupid.

I was so lost while looking for answers that I never gave myself the room to breathe. I still don't have the answers, but I do have a blind faith that allows me to know everything will be okay. I'm living proof.

When I go outside now, I look around me, and I don't see darkness. I see bundles of snow with my nephew playing in them. I go home at night and I see my parents. I'm so happy I have the opportunity to tell them how much they mean to me. I see my little brother and can't wait for him to annoy me.

Life is worth every breath, every smile, every laugh and even all of the pain. I'm going to leave you with a quote by Samuel Smiles that, I think, says it better than I ever could.

I'm not perfect, but I wasn't lying when I said I have it all. If you look around yourself, you may be surprised to see that you, too, have it all. When you think you've reached your breaking point, trust me, you haven't, you just haven't been to these depths before.

"The battle of life is, in most cases, fought uphill; and to win it without a struggle were perhaps to win it without honor. If there were no difficulties there would be no success; if there were nothing to struggle for, there would be nothing to be achieved."

Some facts about suicide

Suicide claims the lives of nearly 30,000 people annually in the United States.

Suicide is the eleventh leading cause of death in the United States. Homicide is the fourteenth.

An average of one person every 18 minutes dies by suicide.

An estimated 730,000 suicide attempts are made in the United States each year.

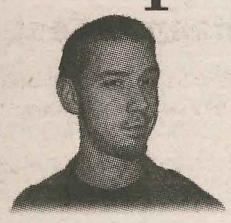
Females attempt suicide 3.0 times more often than males.

Males complete suicide 4.1 times more often than females.

Contrary to popular belief, the suicide rate does not increase during the December holidays. The highest average number of suicides per day is during the summer months.

Source: www.sccenter.org

Sub-par commercials bring us the iPod killer



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

For the most part, the commercials during the Super Bowl this year were sub-par. What happened to pulling out all of the stops?

Countless viewers see these things; come on, people! The one ad, series of ads I suppose, that I enjoyed were the ones featuring the office full of chimpanzees and one human.

Kudos to them for not using a poop-flinging joke, and I hope to see some more commercials from whatever company made them. Is that bad that I can't remember the name or even what the company does?

But I apologize, I'm getting sidetracked. There was one more commercial that caught my attention, but not for its humor.

I doubt anyone really saw this ad; it was right at the end of the game, during the first commercial break after the Patriots won, but before they received their trophy.

This was a commercial for yet another mp3 player that everyone supposedly needs to have. That's nothing new; there are a lot of MP3 players out there. But what really got to me was the product's name: m-rope.

I repeated the name a couple of times, and I even played that game where you say a word over and over again until it loses all meaning.

I still couldn't quite wrap my head around that name. Then it hit me. The iPod is arguably the top mp3 player currently on the market. I say arguably because somebody always argues about things like this.

Hardware companies have been trying for many sleep-less night to come up with a music player that they can call the "iPod killer."

Was there a hardware company so desperate to emulate the success of the iPod, and one that wanted similar name recognition, that they would name their product the same way, a letter, and then a word that has nothing to do with said letter?

I tried to picture the board meeting that took place when trying to name this new, irresistible music player:

"Well, gentlemen, we need a name. Something that says 'iPod,' but doesn't say 'copyright infringement.'"

"Hmmm, how about...q... Scissors? No, that's not working."

"What about n-post it?"

"Wait, music starts with m, how about m...and...rope?"

"Higgins, you've done it again. I'll send you a fruit basket."

That may not exactly have taken place, nor am I sure that someone named Higgins works for the company in question, but it seems plausible, doesn't it?

Let's just hope that in their attempt to beat the iPod at its own game, they haven't created a monster.

Flamestock festivities continue

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

From January 28-29, the University of Wisconsin-Stout's athletic department and The Flame, a local bar, held a weekend long event called Flamestock just for fans of UW-Stout sports teams.

"Flamestock was just a weekend dedicated to the fans," said Megan Gregory, a marketing intern for the athletic department and a sophomore majoring in business. "It was to promote school spirit and get the fans to the home athletic events."

Although this was the first event emphasizing the department's relationship with its fans, Gregory and the athletic department hope this will become an annual event.

"Flamestock was sponsored by The Flame, and it was organized by the sports marketing department here at UW-Stout," said Gregory. "Games and giveaways were planned for those who attended the games."

The sporting events of the weekend included a gymnastics meet, hockey game, track and field meet, a women's basketball game and a men's basketball game. The Flame, Jeff and Jim's Pizzaria and Hollywood Tan all offered prizes.

"Special Flame fanatic T-shirts were thrown out by the cheer and stunt team to fans that were cheering the loudest; during halftime at the basketball games there was a Hollywood Tan Toss for a free tan; and a game where a contestant rolled giant dice to see how many free tans they would win from Hollywood Tan," said Gregory.

Other activities included a chance to play "Let's Make a Deal" at the hockey game, where the winner received a two nights' stay at the Country Inn and Suites. Free pizzas and bowling passes were given to fans who showed off their Blue Devil spirit. There was also a pull-up contest during the gymnastics meet. The winner did 25 pull-ups to win a digital camera.

"I think overall Flamestock was a success," said Gregory. "There were a lot of fans at all of the sporting events. I think students would want to go to Flamestock because it was just a time for fans to let loose and have a great time supporting their favorite team."

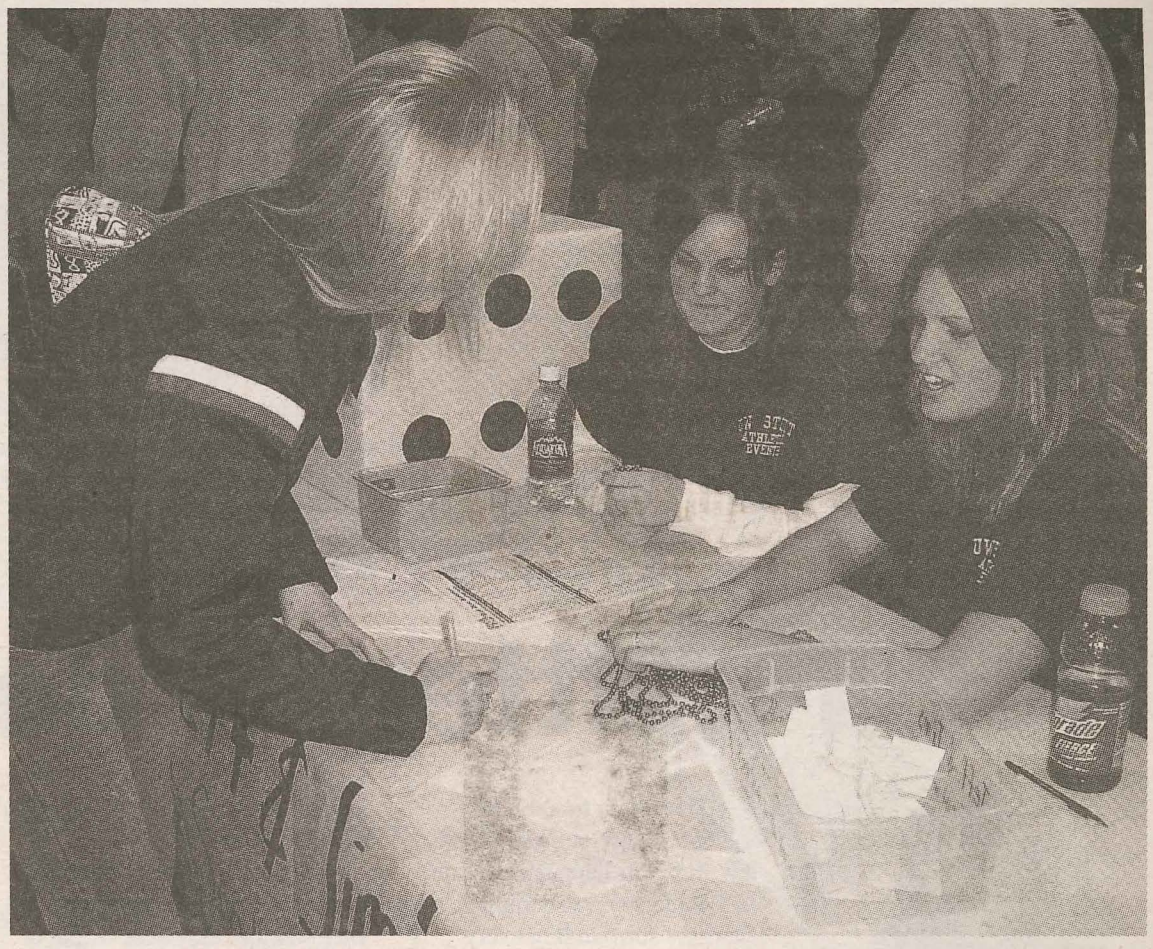
The athletic department estimated over 3,000 fans were at the men's and women's basketball games, which is a larger turn-out than most games, and 25 people signed up for the pull-up competition.

Besides planning to make Flamestock an annual occurance, some of the events will continue during the current school year.

"Jeff and Jim's best seat in the house at both basketball games will continue from Flamestock," said Janelle Klander, the second marketing intern for the athletic department. "That's where you come into the basketball game and can sign up to win a free 20-inch pizza from Jeff and Jim's and sit courtside on a couch for the game. We had it at Flamestock, and now we will continue to have it at all of the women's and men's home basketball games for the rest of the year."

However, Flamestock was not all happy and fun. Reportedly, Chancellor Sorenson thought the event promoted drinking, although alcohol wasn't allowed at any of the events. This is an issue the athletic department is working out with the university.

"However, the [Chancellor] thought it was a great idea to get fans to the games," said Klander. "There will be marketing interns next year also to keep running promotions at the games—probably many that we have started."



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

Flamestock, an event held to recognize Blue Devil sports fans, drew crowds in by the thousands. Contests were held for fans to win prizes.

Pie-eating professor reveals path to professional successes

Apparel design professor, Dr. Donna Albrecht, describes her various scholastic degrees and current home life

By Amy Krause
Student Life Writer

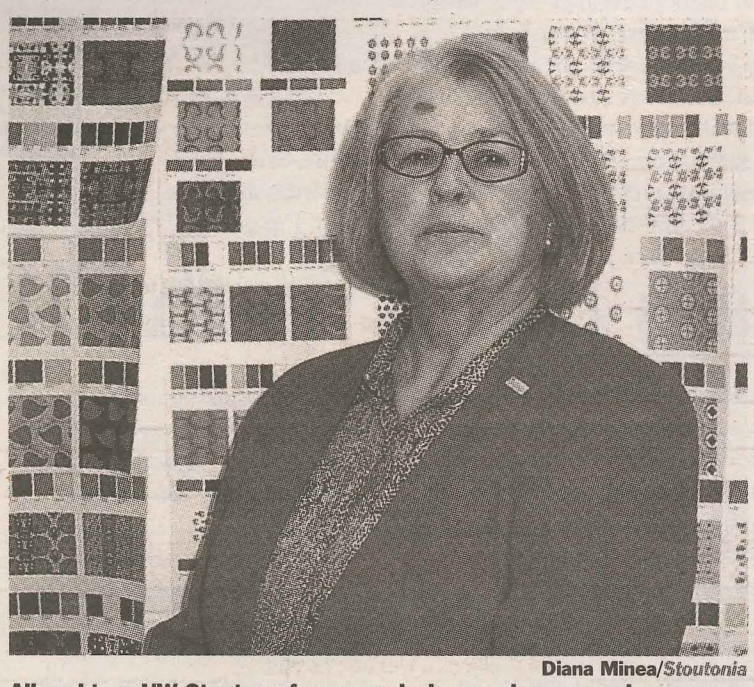
Most students don't see their professors outside of class, and many know nothing about the lives of the people who stand at the front of the classroom.

Dr. Donna Albrecht, apparel design professor at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, grew up a middle child in small town Minnesota, attended a country school, worked to hold on to her "pie champion" title in 4-H and tended to the small family farm.

If she would have heeded the advice of her mother 37 years ago, she wouldn't be who or where she is today.

"There were no relatives here," said Albrecht, automatically, when asked why she chose to attend UW-Stout almost 40 years ago.

Her mother wanted her to attend Minnesota State so she could live with her older sister, husband and kids.



Diana Minea/*Stoutonia*

Albrecht, a UW-Stout professor and alumna, has earned numerous degrees, including what she affectionately calls her MRS degree.

"Who wants to go to college and baby-sit?" said Albrecht. "Not me."

Instead she decided to attend UW-Stout as an undergraduate, to apply her 4-H skills. She graduated in 1968 with a B.S. in home economics.

And she was off.

With the love of clothing and textiles still bubbling inside of her, in 1969 she quickly got her master's at UW-Stout for textiles and clothing.

To demonstrate the order in which she received her degrees, she stretches her hand out on the table. Chuckling, she points to her first finger which is reserved for what she affectionately calls her MRS degree.

"Before I graduated, I got married," said Albrecht.

Between her junior and senior years at UW-Stout she married her husband, some 38 years ago.

She started teaching at UW-Stout, in what was then the Home Economics department, in 1969. She worked hard at developing a lot of the courses that are still in existence today. Along with writing courses, she has also written a number of professional publications.

Albrecht then went on to pursue her Ph.D. It was then, in 1980, that she did what her mother wanted her to do several years earlier; she attended the University of Minnesota.

Professional achievements aside, Albrecht is not only a professor but a mentor to students in the apparel program.

"I love connecting with students," said Albrecht when asked about her favorite part of being a professor.

She also believes in the importance of keeping good, professional relationships with students both before and after they graduate.

"Donna is not only a good professor, but she has an excellent personality, which makes class with her enjoyable," said Bethany Schafer, a senior in apparel design and development who has worked as Albrecht's teaching assistant.

Along with her achievements as a professor, Albrecht enjoys her other pastimes as well. She resides in North Menomonie, surrounded by rolling hills, animals and a serene environment. This is where she gardens, constructs costumes for her grandchildren and still fondly remembers when she held the "pie champion" title.

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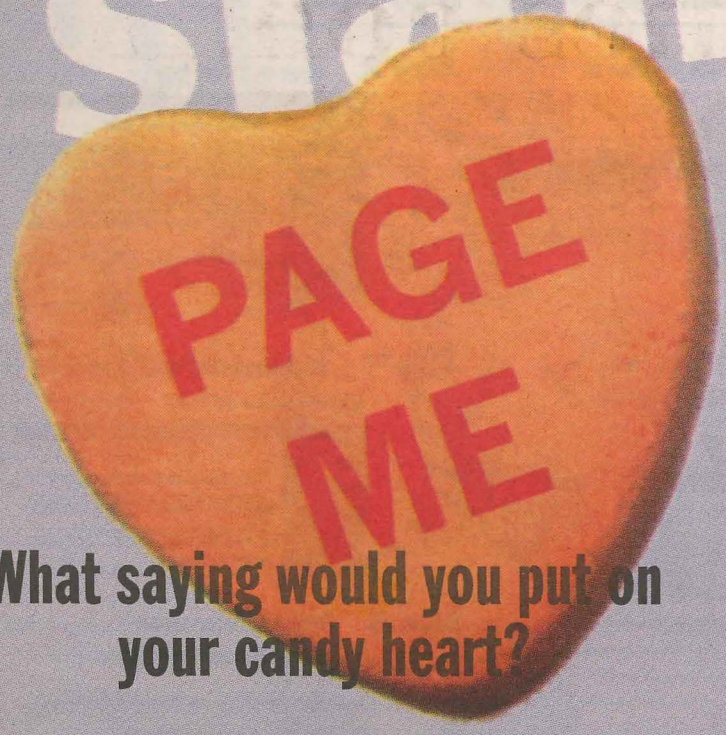
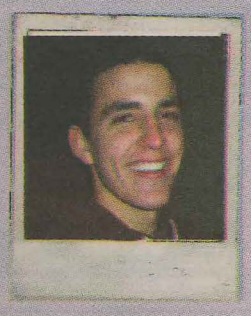


What saying would you put on your candy heart?

"A can of whoop ass doesn't come with a pop top."

Attalia Young
Hospitality, Tourism and Restaruant Management
Senior



"Take *me* out."

Mark Mersenski
Graphic Communications Management
Freshman

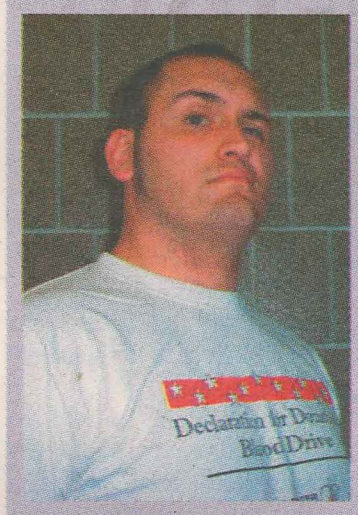
"Have a happy Easter."

Sarah Goodman
Interior Design
Senior

"All you need is love."

Evan Sawatski
Business
Freshman

Look-a-Likes



Jesse Blunt
Technology Education
Junior

Dwayne Johnson
A.K.A. "The Rock"
Film Actor

Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us see it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.

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Once again, we are asking you, the readers, to vote on the Best of Menomonie. Nothing fancy here, we just tally the votes and print the results.

We will give detailed information on how people voted in our Feb. 24 issue.

So please vote before then, and turn your ballot in at any Best of Menomonie Balloting Box or at the Stoutonia Office in the Memorial Student Center.

Do-it-yourself techniques for taxes

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

Whether or not students know how to file their own income taxes, they have options. For many University of Wisconsin-Stout students, tax filing options are free.

While there are myriads of tax filing resources on the Internet, the most trustworthy of them is the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov.

This site contains a directory of sites that each provide free tax filing for particular groups of people based on factors such as age, income and state of residence.

"[Filing taxes online] sounds cheap, easy, fast and convenient," said Peter Kleinheinz, a junior in graphic communications management.

For those who are less comfortable entering sensitive information online, there is a free tax filing program on campus.

"[At UW-Stout] we have what is called the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance [VITA] program," said Bill Kryshak, UW-Stout associate professor of finance. "A few of my past tax students prepare the taxes of students and low income families for free."

Starting next week, VITA will run on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in room 272 in Jarvis Hall.

Students should bring the following materials: photo ID, social security number, all wages and earning statements and the appropriate state and federal tax filing forms. One reliable place to find copies of these forms is at http://taxes.yahoo.com/.

The tax preparer will need to ask students a few questions for preparation purposes and will contact the student when the forms are completed.

There are a few questions students ask most frequently about filing taxes:

Can I claim myself as an exemption or should my parents claim me? According to Kryshak, only the parents can claim a student as an exemption. Students cannot claim themselves.

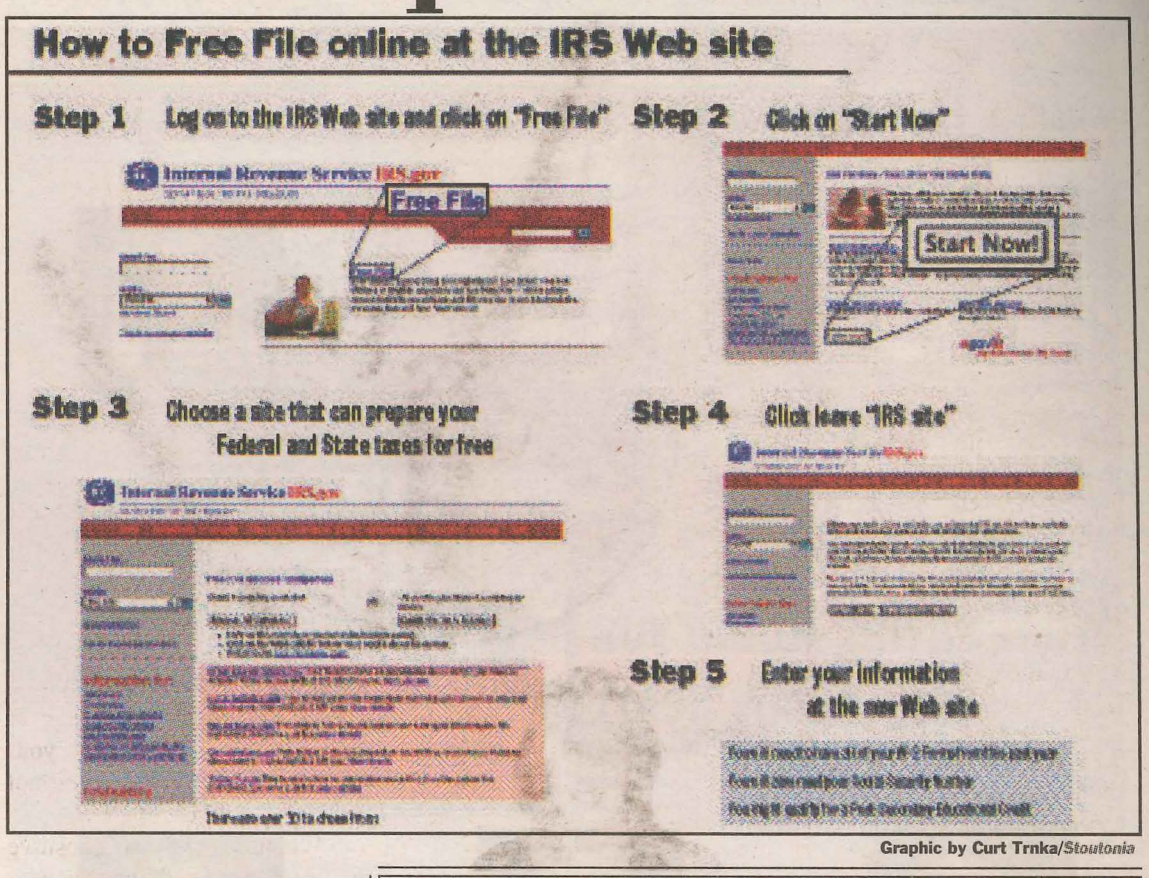
Can I claim credit for paying tuition? Some students qualify for Hope Credit or Lifetime Learning Credit, depending on income level and dependency status. Hope Credit is only for undergraduate students, while Lifetime Learning Credit is for all students. However, students cannot claim credit for both at once.

What if I am a resident of Wisconsin and worked in Minnesota last year (or vice versa)? Wisconsin and Minnesota have tax reciprocity. For instance, a student who lives in Wisconsin and works in Minnesota would claim all income in Wisconsin and pay Wisconsin state taxes. In addition, this student would need to file a Minnesota state tax return for a refund of any tax withheld, claiming $0 as their income.

Kryshak suggests the student also include a brief written explanation to clarify the student's residence and employment situation.

Jessica Bronk, a junior in early childhood education, is one of the 25 percent of students who work in both Minnesota and Wisconsin.

"I wouldn't really know how to do them myself," said Bronk. "But it's obviously something I need to start paying more attention to as I will one day have to be doing them myself."



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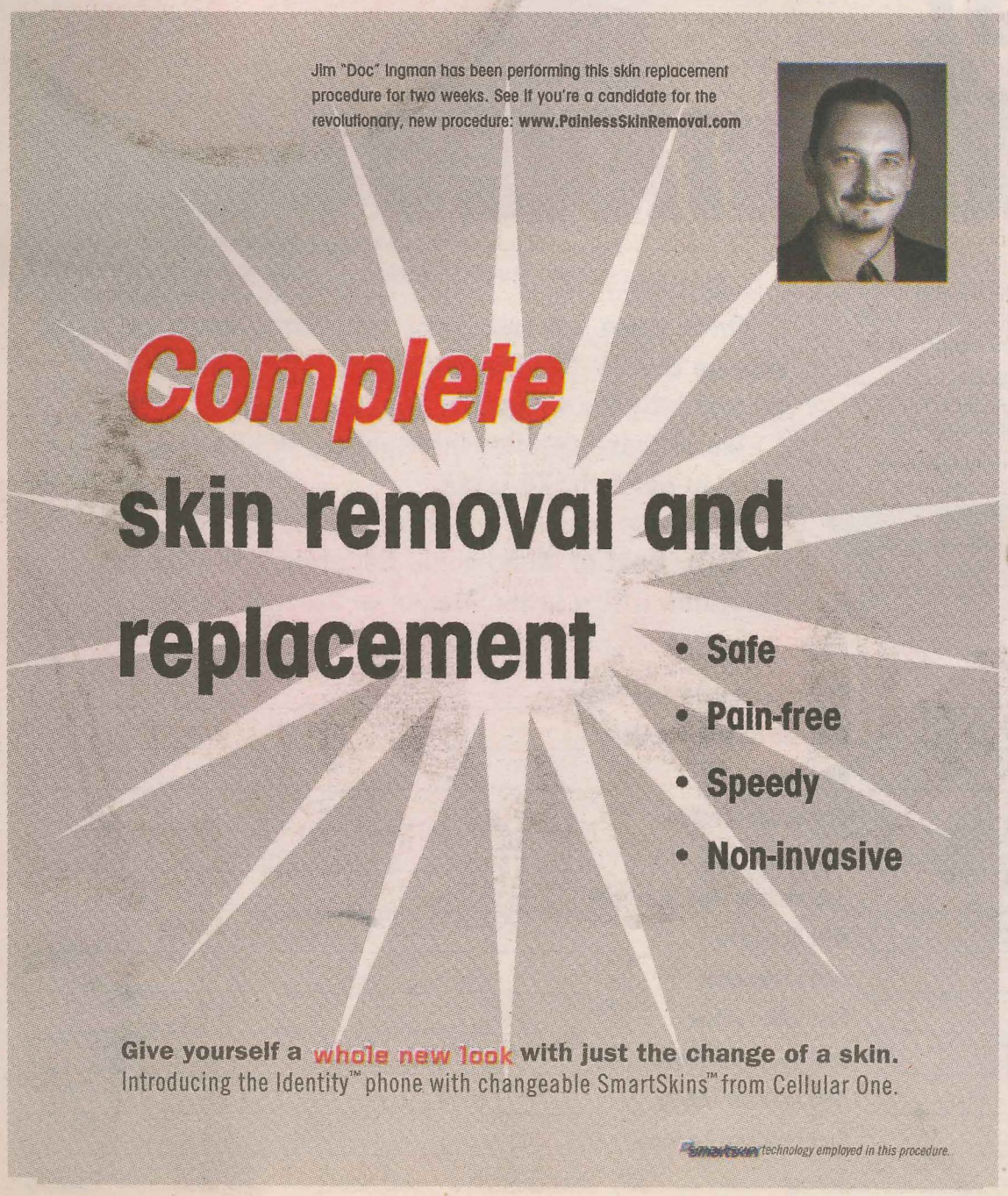

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>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.
> **Sassy Seconds Thrift Sale and Krispy Kreme Sale,** 2nd floor Home Ec., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
>**Sushi Burgers,** Huff's, 7:30 p.m., and 9 p.m., $2 students.

Friday, Feb. 11
>**Recycled Percussion,** Great Hall, 8 p.m., $6 students.
>**Sushi Burgers,** Huff's, 7:30 p.m., and 9 p.m., $2 students.

Saturday, Feb. 12
>**Minnesota Dance Theater,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $19 students.
>**52nd Annual Dunn County Fish & Game Ice Fishing Contest,** Lake Menomin, For more information call 715-235-8155.

Sunday, Feb. 13
>**Wingra Woodwind Quintet,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $10 students.
>**Music: Claudia Schmidt,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 7:30 p.m., $10 students.

Monday, Feb. 14
No events scheduled

Tuesday, Feb. 15
>**Film: Whale Rider,** AA 210, 7 p.m., free.

Wednesday, Feb. 16
No events scheduled

Thursday, Feb. 17
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

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SO RONG, IT HAS TO BE RIGHT

Five guys. One passion.

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

I'm not going to lie to you. They're good -really ridiculously good. If you haven't heard of Regimen Rong yet, you will, and if you don't think they're good, you're wrong.

Made up of five driven men with an untamed passion for music, Regimen Rong is going to be the next big name to conquer the alternative world.

"When people ask what kind of music I play, I just put it in the biggest genre I can think of: alternative rock," said Brandt Jorgensen, a senior majoring in English at St. Thomas University. "We have our own style, so to say we're like a combination of any bands wouldn't be right."

No band can ever be complete or completely good without a wide range of musical background and influence. Influences of the band range from Led Zepplin to Bach. Jorgensen can even play classical music on his electric guitar. Not quite what Bach may have had in mind, yet it shows just how diverse this group is.

"As a musician it's hard to not be influenced by everything," said Nick Ulrich, an industrial design graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stout, who does vocals for the band. "I feel like, in a way, it's like everything you ever hear is pretty much going to be your influences because how can it not be?

Whether it's a positive or negative influence, with everything you hear, you'll form some opinion of whether you like it or don't like it."

You may have seen them performing at Mr. Heavy's in Menomonie or the Rock in Maplewood, but they are only headed for bigger venues. Currently they are entered in a competition on the Web site http://www.myspace.com to be a part of the Taste of Chaos Tour which could be their big break.

"We're going to start playing shows at First Avenue and the Quest, we just want to get our material all ready to roll and get the new demos recorded," said Jeff Baustert, a junior majoring in general business at the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire. "We pretty much want to get the game plan, get everything ready; get a demo; send it out; get all of the merch[andise].

"It's a lot of time consuming crap you have to go through, but after that it's just show, show, show and concentrating on spreading the word and getting our name out there."

While most college men are out looking for chicks and drinking uncontrollably on weekends, these men are living, breathing and drinking their music.

It hasn't been an easy road for them though, and the road is only going to get steeper and harder to climb.

"We've worked from the ground up and we've taught ourselves the process," said Ulrich. "It's not like we're going to go in, and they're just going to record us and then make us sound a certain way when we leave. We kind of know what we want and what we're after and we won't stop until we get it."

The smallest mistake sends them rearranging songs, changing endings and starting all over again. Even when they practice, their stage presence is phenomenal. When you watch them perform, you can't help but want to move with their music. You can see how much they feel the music as they play and how it takes over every part of their bodies. Just watching them gets you excited about what they're doing.

"The way you look on stage is so important," said Andrew Blaschko, a junior majoring in industrial design. "We're entertainers; that's what we do. If you see a band that's music is pretty decent, and then they just stand there, it's not that exciting of a show. But if we're animated, running around, and having fun, people want to have fun with us."

Not only is their music astounding, these are some of the most down to earth and generally good guys you'll meet. Each band member has their own style and brings it to the table in their music and personality.

Though all the guys are serious about music, Baustert, the drummer, is definitely the most serious. Always talking about concert connections and new ways of getting exposed, his love for music comes from his dad who once performed with The Doors.

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(left to right) Andrew Blaschko, guitar, Brandt Jorgensen, guitar, Jeff Baustert, drums, Nick Ulrich, vocals and Jeremy Lovelace, bass, give an energy filled performance that will rock the alternative music world.

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

Ads don't monkey around after Janet

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

As has become common knowledge, the Super Bowl isn't just a championship event for professional football players. Advertisers pay top dollar - an average of $2.4 million - to compete for the nation's attention during game breaks.

At least three prospective ads were yanked from broadcast this year for being sexually suggestive. One of these included an Anheuser-Busch ad in which the "real reason" for Janet Jackson's costume mishap was revealed to be a stagehand using the soon-to-be-infamous bustier to open his bottle of Bud Lite.

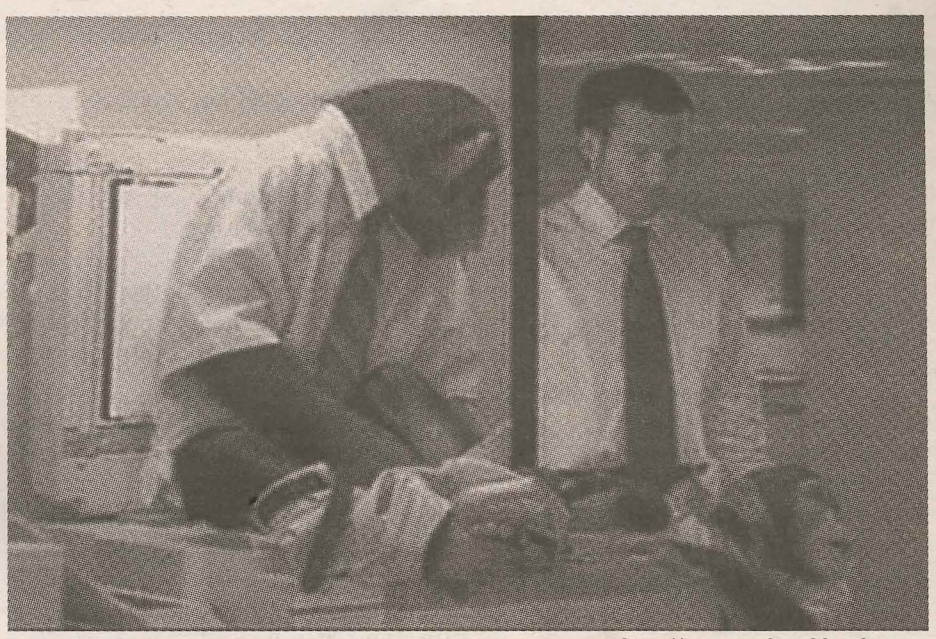
Of the commercials that did air, Anheuser-Busch seemed to score the most points with viewers, airing nine commercial spots with two garnering top honors in an AOL poll. The first of these two was a salute to troops heading off to Iraq, an uncharacteristically serious topic.

The second one was truer to form. It was concerned skydivers. The last skydiver of the group was extremely hesitant to exit the plane, so the jump coach produced a 12-pack of Bud and tossed it out of the plane. The pilot jumped out after the Bud instead, and he was noticeably without parachute.

CareerBuilder.Com also stood out with a series of three commercials featured an office worker interacting with his primate coworkers. The shot of a chimp employee kissing his chimp supervisor's butt sumed up the message pretty well: the human worker desperately needs the services of CareerBuilder.Com.

Subway has the dubious honor of having aired the edgiest - and probably the most creepily remembered - commercial. A traffic cop approaches a steamed-up car parked on the side of the road. What he finds is not a scene of carnal pleasure, but two guys enjoying Subway toasted subs, which are apparently guilty pleasures. Who knew?

Also, the taming influence of self-imposed censorship has also hurt what used to be a good time. Michael Kiley of Business Week views the Super Bowl as "the Fight Club of Madison Avenue" and that "advertisers and ad agencies rightly view it as a test of their creative cojones." If Kiley exaggerates, it isn't by much. This year, the concerns of advertisers had less to do with creativity than with offending as few people as possible.



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Ever feel like you're working with a bunch of monkeys? The monkeys in the career-builder.com commercials weren't the only ones laughing.

Whether this attitude is the start of a trend towards more responsible broadcasting or constitutes a blow to creative freedom, it's impossible to say. It is likely now and will continue to be the subject of many debates between advertisers and watchdog groups. Whether consumers will be able to stomach whatever comes out of these debates is immaterial. If Madison Avenue has taught us anything at all over the years, it's that the American society is able to stomach anything.

Well-done Sushi Burgers

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War or money, you decide

Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

The first few months of the new year are often bleak for new game releases. Luckily, Mercenaries: Playground of Destruction, latest of the ever-growing genre of war games, was able to break through with explosive results.

After a contract is complete, the faction gives out intel to one of the members from a "Deck of 52" (think card deck). Each card from the deck of 52 symbolizes a leader from the army of General Song, the typical twisted villain bent on world domination.

Each suit from the deck stands for a different organization in the army, and suits are completed one at a time. Once the Ace Contract is complete, the game moves on to the next suit.

It may sound like a lot of wash-rinse-repeat, but there's plenty of variety in the contracts, ranging from rescue missions to escort services to demolition expertise. Choosing which contract to perform is completely up to the gamer.

Doing most of the contracts is optional, however. With the exception of the Face Cards and Ace Contracts, it is possible to find the other members of the Deck without intel from the factions' contracts. Since Mercenaries is set in the near future of Earth, the graphics are realistically natural, earth tone and beautiful to look at. The explosions are both physically accurate and fun to watch. The detail of the vehicles and characters was astounding.

The sound, while wonderfully orchestrated, lacks variety. There were only about seven or eight different tracks, some of which are simply a remake of the title theme. A couple of the tracks also seemed more set for a fantasy game than a war game.

The mechanics of Mercenaries are a bit tricky to learn at first. After awhile the controls become more natural and the game seems more organized. Loading times are long but tips and information are given during them.

The controls for the vehicles were shaky and airy. Most of the smaller cars had virtually no traction and lost control easily. The tanks were often a hassle to steer, especially in the midst of a tough battle, though it was nearly impossible to get them stuck.

The AI, in a word, is dim. They're smart enough to run away from grenades and sometimes vehicles, but that's about it. Some of the contracts were a bit more challenging than others, but imaginative gamers can easily figure out ways to make even the Ace Contracts a breeze.

It's almost impossible to die in Mercenaries. Canceling a contract is done at the push of a few buttons. Even in a near-death situation, a Medivac is always available.

Money isn't a problem either. Contracts and the Deck will definitely pay the biggest bucks, but Bonuses and Challenges, both widely available, supply some quick cash.

In the end, Mercenaries is a good game that's best suited for people into realistic war games.

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Music / band expands their horizons

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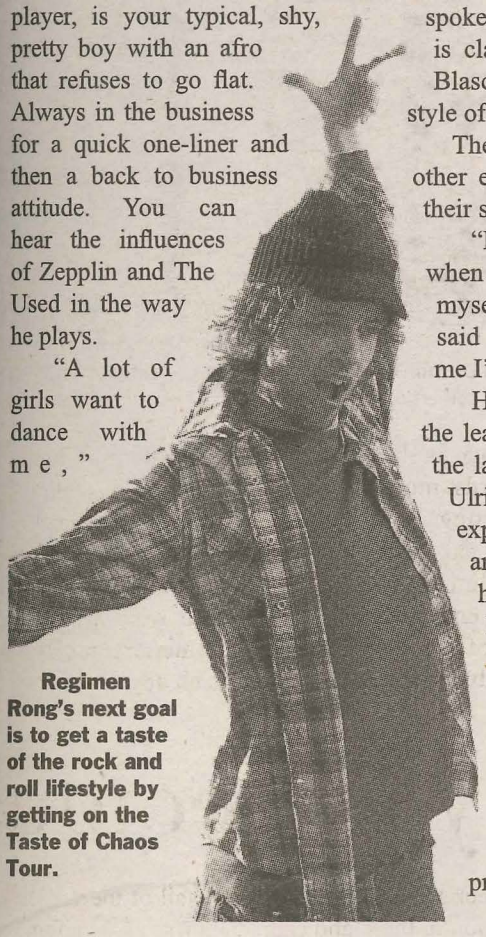
"We definitely want to start in Minneapolis because they have a really good music scene," said Baustert. "We definitely want to win that over, and then, after that, move on and start to spread the name."

Jeremy Lovelace, the bass player, is your typical, shy, pretty boy with an afro that refuses to go flat. Always in the business for a quick one-liner and then a back to business attitude. You can hear the influences of Zepplin and The Used in the way he plays.

"A lot of girls want to dance with me," said Lovelace, a senior majoring in general business administration, "but it's just because I'm in a band."



Regimen Rong's next goal is to get a taste of the rock and roll lifestyle by getting on the Taste of Chaos Tour.

Blaschko and Jorgensen are the two guitar players that make up the soul of the band. Jorgensen is the preppy prankster of the group where Blaschko is the soft spoken sweet one. Jorgensen is classically trained, where Blaschko has more of a loose style of playing.

They complement each other extremely well in all of their songs.

"I started playing guitar when I was 17, and I taught myself, so I'm not that good," said Blaschko, "but they tell me I'm getting better."

He's being modest, to say the least. Speaking of modest, the last member of the band, Ulrich, probably has the most experience of all the guys and is the backbone that holds the group together. He has an ear for great riffs and a passion for anything musical.

"We've only been together as a five-piece since last June," said Ulrich. "[Playing music] is a different process; this is what keeps it fresh and so fun. It's not like making dinner, where you do it once and do the same thing the next day. It's never the same old thing; it always keeps you on your toes."

The guys are extremely concentrated on giving fans what they want, while still producing music that doesn't replicate what the band before them did.

"There's always room for growth, whether you're recording for yourself or someone's recording the music for you," said Ulrich. "We've grown since day one, and it's like we've influenced ourselves because we've learned what we can do with our sounds."

They work hard for what they have, but the final destination is never out of their sight.

"There was one time I was playing in my old band and we were playing at a house party," said Baustert. "There was a guy I had never met in my life, and I looked over at him mid song and he was singing all of our words. I don't even know who the hell the guy was.

It was just like, that feeling alone. It was like, that's awesome. We were nobody but this guy loved our music. It makes you feel like it's so possible to be something bigger."

If you ever have the chance to see this band perform live, you should definitely not pass it up. For more information on their music and their band, you can go to their website, http://www.regimenrong.com.

Although they don't have a CD released right now, they are working on another demo. Having produced and recorded all of their own music thus far, they want to make sure everything is perfect.

"It's not like you write one song and it's like, oh, now we know how to do it so let's just write a whole album because we're really good at it," said Ulrich. "Every song you do is a new project and like a whole new challenge to come up with and conquer."

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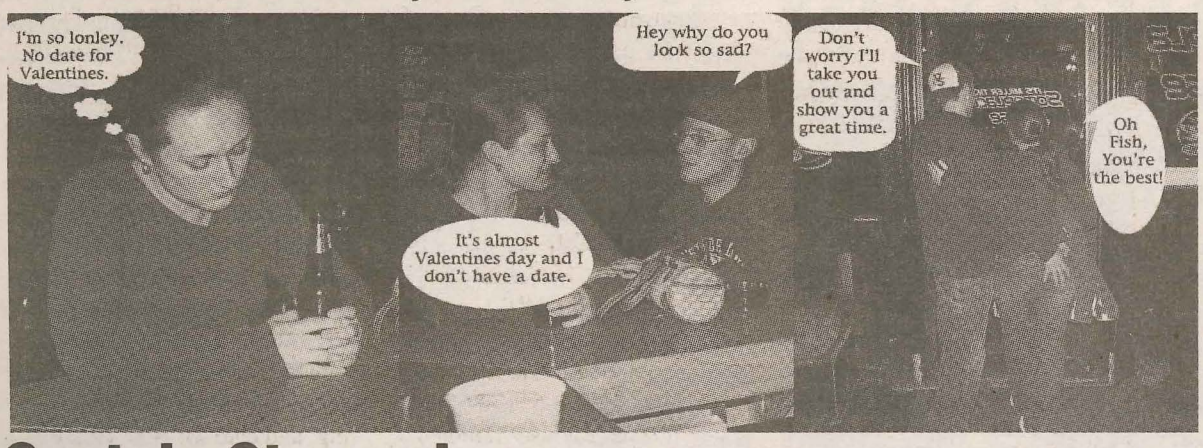

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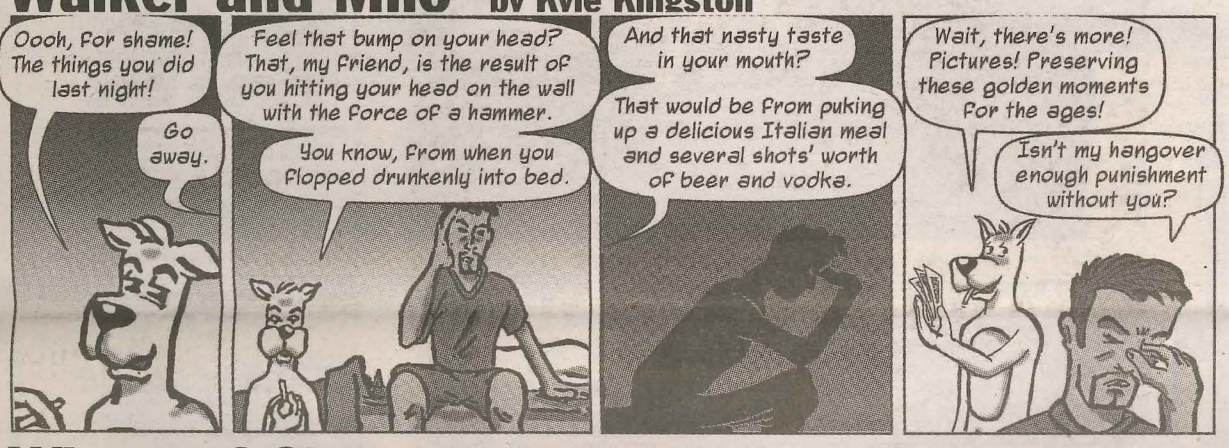

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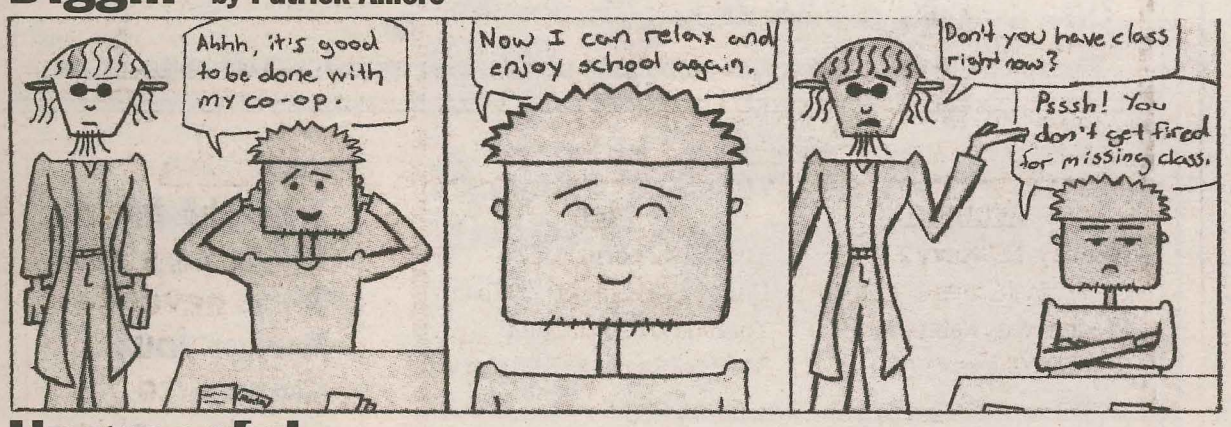

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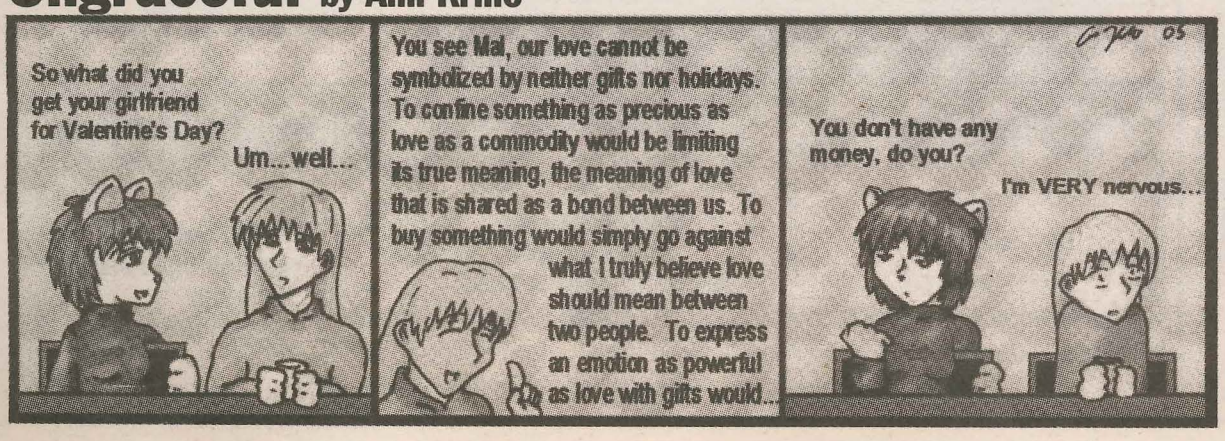

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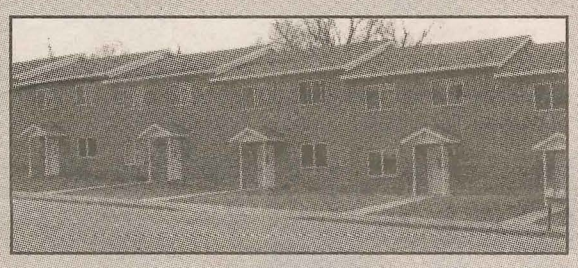

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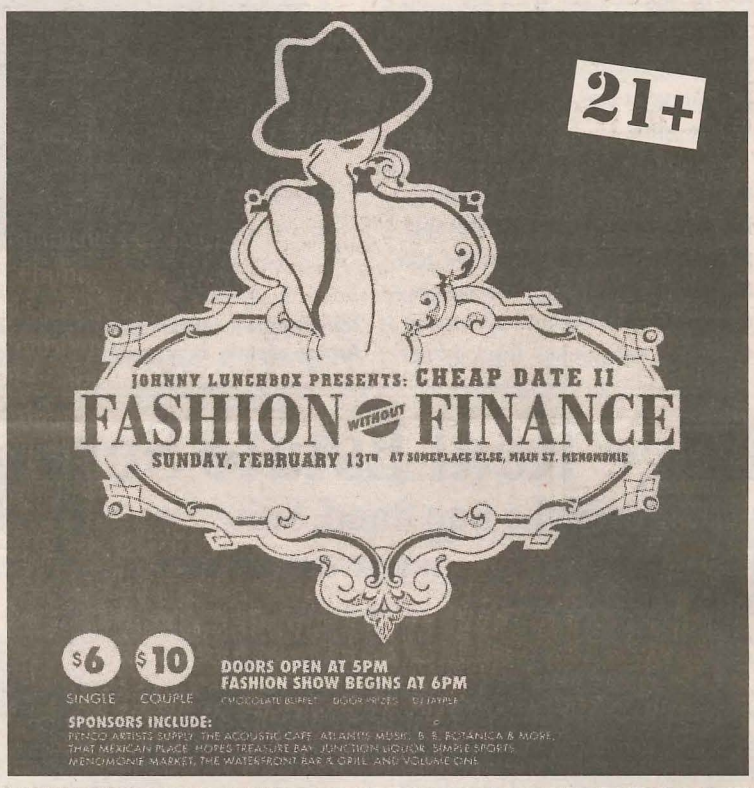

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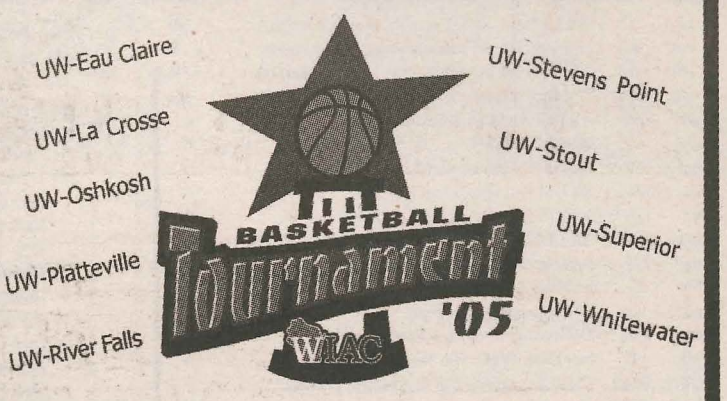

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Home decor finds rugged outdoors

By Matt Edison
Sports Editor

Many Wisconsin and Minnesota residents can't wait for the cold temperatures of winter. This means one thing, besides long johns it's time for ice fishing. In a short amount of time, anyone can get all the gear necessary to catch a delicious bass.

Fishing is a popular sport, especially in the Upper Midwest and into Canada. It just so happens Minnesota and Wisconsin are both top places to ice fish. If you haven't noticed the small community of ice houses on Lake Menomin, you can tell that it is a popular activity of local residents and University of Wisconsin-Stout students.

Getting started for a day on the ice doesn't require much gear and is fairly cheap. The items you need are an agar to drill your ice hole, fishing pole, bait, ice scooper and if need be; an ice shack. For around $50, you will have all the essentials needed to start slaying fish.

A non-necessity, but always fun, is an item known as the tip-up. A tip-up is nothing more than a piece of wood with a flag and a line attached. When a fish bites the flag pops up. Tip-ups are best used outside of an ice shack and can be placed far away, since it is easy to see when you have a fish on.

Not everyone uses an ice shack when they ice fish. Mainly the purpose of an ice shack is to block the wind, but the luxury is what can make ice fishing fun. Shanties range from four bare walls to all out living quarters equipped with heat, beds, radio and even television.

Don't forget to purchase a fishing license before you go otherwise it's against the law. The price for a fishing license is $17.00 for people 16 years and older and the license is good for one year.

Other laws to be followed is the line limit regulation. Only three lines per person can be in the water in Wisconsin. There is also a limit to 25 pan fish per person. In order to keep a Walleye it has to be at least 15 inches long.

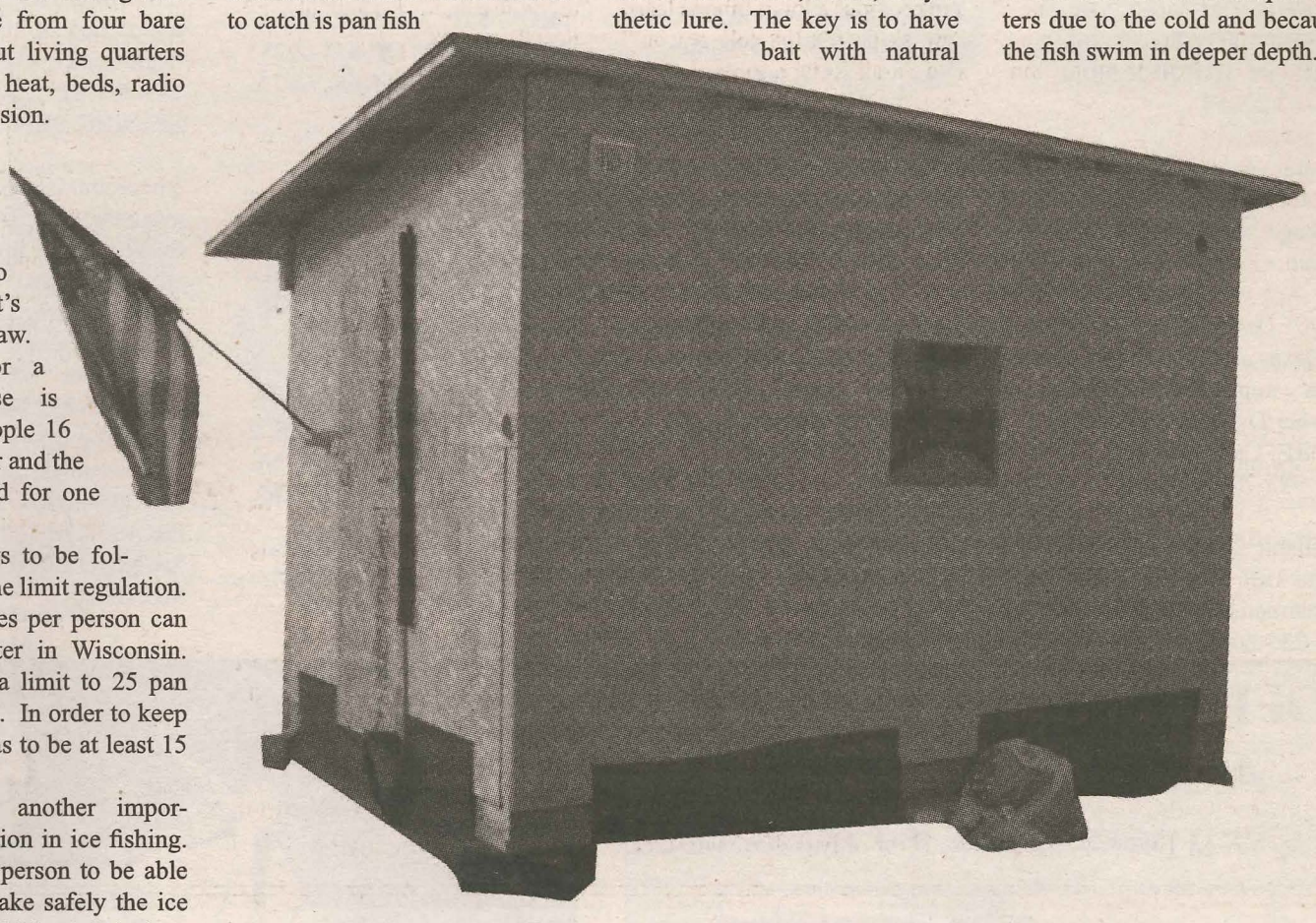
Safety is another important consideration in ice fishing. In order for a person to be able to walk on a lake safely the ice thickness should be 2-3 inches. For snow mobiles and all terrain vehicles 4-6 inches thick is required and for automobiles the ice should be 10-12 inches in thickness.

"I like to fish a lot and do it whenever I get the chance", says Karl Heinbuch a freshman here at Stout. Heinbuch's favorite fish to catch is pan fish

fish. Walleye and Northern Pike are another favorite of ice fishermen.

In order to catch a certain type of fish you need to have a certain kind of bait on your line such as a minnow, worm, or synthetic lure. The key is to have bait with natural movement so that it tricks the fish into eating it

If you want to bag your fish limit, early in the morning and right before sundown are the best times to fish. During the winter it is also best to fish in deeper waters due to the cold and because the fish swim in deeper depth.



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1		147 1/2 Main St #7	$195	$195	n/a	n/a	Util inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		1471/2 Main St. #8	$160	$160	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1		147 1/2 Main St. #9	$195	$195	n/a	n/a	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1	1	802 6th Av #2	$290	$290	n/a	n/a	All Util included,great location	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #1	$260	$260	n/a	n/a	WSG+HotWater Inc. Storage, location,n/p	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main St. #3	$330	$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc/storage/location/n/p	6
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #1	$495	$495	n/a	n/a	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #2	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #3	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	803 Wilson Av #4	$335	$335	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities/Location	8
1	1	803 Wilson Av #5	$335	$335	n/a	n/a	Includes Utilities	8
1	1	803 Wilson Av #7	$455	$455	n/a	n/a	Close to campus, parking	8
1	1	1226 Knapp St	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	Downstairs of duplex/North Menomonie	D
1	1	421 Wilson Ave #4	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
1	1	119 W Main St. #1	$275	$275	$345	$345	Close To campus and downtown, parking	3
1	1	115 1/2 W. Main	$320	$320	$370	$370	Close to campus and downtown	O
2	1	113 W. Main	$350	$175	$420	$210	Close to campus and downtown	H
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #5	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	619 1/2 13th Ave	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG,HotWater, Excellent Location	4
2	1	619 13th Ave	$430	$215	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG, Hot Water, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1803 _ 7th St.	$400	$200	$460	$230	Remodeled, Large Apartment/Washer/Dryer	D
2	1	115 W Main St.	$380	$190	$465	$233	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$600	$300	$600	$300	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. B	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
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2	1	802 6th Ave #6	$500	$250	$500	$250	All Utilities included Great Location Parking	6
2	1	620 15th Ave.	$350	$175	n/a	n/a	Good location, Upstairs duplex	D
2	1	119 Main St. #2	$380	$190	$430	$215	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	915 1/2 Main St.	$360	$180	$35	$218	Nice Duplex with parking	D
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$450	$150	$570	$190	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$660	$220	$860	$287	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	2	414 14th Av W. #6	$660	$220	$860	$287	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	2	414 14th Av W. #8	$660	$220	$860	$287	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$500	$167	$650	$217	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	N/A	N/A	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$600	$200	$700	$234	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/.5 bath/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$700	$175	$830	$207	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$550	$138	$720	$180	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$600	$150	$720	$180	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	1	1809 6th St.	$600	$150	$760	$190	Washer/dryer, Gas heat, garage.	H

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4	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$800	$200	$1000	$250	Great House/WASH/DRYER hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$800	$200	$950	$237	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	1+	1115 14th Ave	$600	$150	$750	$188	Gas heat, garage, lg. rooms,,washer/dryer, A/C	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1100	$275	$1100	$275	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$900	$225	$1075	$269	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$500	$125	$720	$180	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$750	$150	$900	$180	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$900	$180	$1060	$212	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$800	$160	$910	$182	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Good loc./washer/dryer/ avail aug 23	4
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2+	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1200	$240	$1400	$237	New location, WashDry	H
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1190	$170	$1415	$203	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1260	$180	$1485	$213	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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Women's rugby looking to expand

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

If you are looking for a great way to get in shape and meet new people, the women's rugby club is kicking off its spring season, with practices starting this Sunday. The team is looking for new players of all skill level to join the club.

The UW-Stout women's rugby team has existed for seven years now. The team is registered with USA rugby and competes in the Division 1 bracket.

Spring is actually the off-season for rugby, giving players a chance to learn the game and attend games in a more relaxed atmosphere. The spring season is shorter and prime time for new players to learn about rugby.

"Spring is the best time to join the team because the off season is full of fun tournaments and provides a lot of time to learn new skills for the fall season," said Sarah Roth, a junior in psychology. "It is also much more relaxed than the fall season."

The spring season features several tournaments starting Feb. 26 at WinterFest in Wausau, Wis.

People interested in joining the team or learning more about rugby are encouraged to contact the team before this tournament; as it is not a traditional tournament and players get a chance to play with teams from other schools. The tournament is also held on a lake.

After that, the team travels to Platteville for the annual Mud-Fest Tournament on Apr. 2, then to Eau Claire on Apr. 16 for the Border Battle.

The team finishes up the season with a trip to the All Saints Tournament on Apr. 30. The team also hopes to host at least one home game and hold its second annual alumni game.

The alumni game is an event that the team looks forward to. The team is happy to have an alumni team that is active and in contact with the club. Last year, the two teams donned old prom dresses for the game. The result was lots of fun.

"It was fun to meet the alumni and play against people who started on this team," said Liz Tuttle, a sophomore in packaging. "The prom dress game was hilarious."

Anyone is welcome to join the team, with no knowledge of rugby required. The team is fairly relaxed and it is not mandatory to attend all games.

The team is willing to teach anyone about the sport and also encourages people just looking for a workout to try rugby and see what is all about.

"Rugby is such a fun sport to learn because of the adrenaline rush you get," said Roth. "There is also the opportunity to play on the All-Star Select Side Team."

Practices are Sundays from 7-8 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Sports & Fitness Center and Wednesdays from 9-11 p.m. in the Upper Gym. This schedule is tentative and the team will move outside when the weather warms up.

For more information, contact the women's rugby club at ruggerstout@yahoo.com

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

The indoor track season is underway, and one of the University of Wisconsin-Stout participants has already put himself above the rest.

Lewis Cassellius took first place in the pole vault at the Warren Bowlus Track & Field Open on Feb.. 5, at UW-Stout's sport and fitness center.

Cassellius posted a career best jump of 15 feet, 7 inches. The jump was four inches better than his previous winning jump.

Not only did the win lock in a top spot, Cassellius also earned an NCAA Division III provisional qualifying spot.

His efforts also earned him the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference athlete of the week.

As a team, UW-Stout took third in the invitational.

The Facts:
Senior
Glenwood City, Wis.
Engineering Technology

Took first place in the pole vault at the Warren Bowlus Track and Field Open.

Lewis Cassellius
Track & Field

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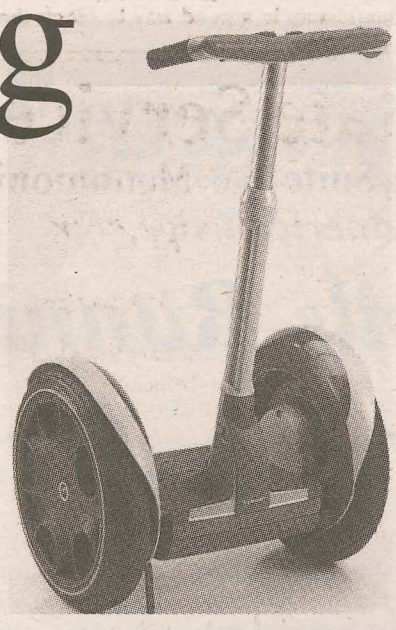

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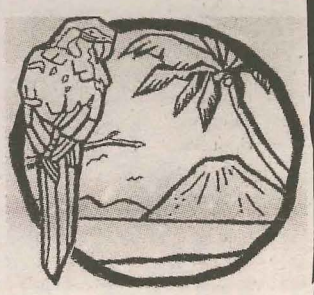

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Men's Basketball
(12-8)

Superior defeated Stout 82-78 on Feb. 9

Next Game: Feb. 12 at Eau Claire

Women's Basketball
(17-5)

The lady Blue Devils beat Superior 69-43 on Feb. 8

Next Game: Feb. 12 at Eau Claire

Gymnastics

The gymnastics team was defeated by Gustavus Adolphus 168.5-175.75

Next Match: Feb 11. hosting Whitewater and Oshkosh

Hockey
(8-11-4)

St. Norbert defeated Stout 5-0

Next Match: Feb. 11 hosting Eau Claire

Training Ground

The Blue Devil's only senior, Luke Loney, leads a team of young talent this season. Loney likes the team's prospect for the future.

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

The Blue Devil men's basketball team is 12-7 so far this season, which is quite impressive for a young team that has to endure the hardships of one of the toughest conferences in the Midwest.

"We have five freshmen in our top 10, and that is why the second time around the WIAC has become more difficult to win," said head coach Ed Andrist. "The battle cry of the other Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) schools is don't lose to freshmen."

When Andrist was asked about how the younger new players are doing he said that they are playing as well as the rest of the the guys.

Senior guard Luke Loney is impressed with the young talent as well.

"I think they have been doing a great job; they have exceeded all expectations," said Loney. "For freshmen, they are extremely mature, and with each game they gain more and more confidence which will help us in the conference tournament."

Although the team has a lot of youth, it has not let the WIAC defeat it. The Blue Devils' shooting percentage this year, shows an average of about 45 percent overall and 34 percent 3-point shooting.

On defense, the team's rebounding average is 37.5 compared to the 31 rebounds of their opponents. The statistics show the teams skill, but three conference losses have brought down the Blue Devils' rank.

"It has been a very good season so far," said Andrist. "To be ranked in the top 25 for three weeks is quite the complement to what these young men have accomplished." The Blue Devils are 7-5 in the conference and will be looking to revive its game come playoff time.

"Our defense needs to pick up, teams are shooting too well against us," said Loney. "We have to step up; especially in the second half."

Although the season is running short, the men have a huge game this weekend against the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. A win would lock in a sweep of the Blugolds this season.

"We need to keep believing in what we are doing. It is so easy to lose confidence when you are not winning. It really hurts to lose three games in a row, especially at home," said Andrist. "You have to take care of your home turf. We need to rally around each other and go out and get some wins."

While hard work and dedication can be attributed to the wins, the strong Blue Devil fan base has also lifted the team to victory.

"I want to thank our fans. We lead the WIAC in total attendance and that is awesome. I will always wish however, that more of the Stout students would come and have fun at the games," said Andrist. "I know if they would come, they would find out what a blast it is to be part of the basketball setting. Johnson Fieldhouse really rocks. I also want to thank the Stout Pep Band under Stephanie Graber. It is so much fun to have them there."

Lady Devils Running Wild

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

If you are one of the many people stuck in the doldrums of winter, the Blue Devil women's basketball team may be the cure for seasonal depression.

The team has been tearing through the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC), winning the last nine conference games and only losing one of the last twelve games.

"In this league, if you take anything for granted and forget your A game at home or in the locker room when you are at home you can just about be assured you will get beat," said head coach Mark Thomas. "The intensity level that is required each and every night is amazing."

Amazing is definitely a good word choice to describe the intensity of the lady Blue Devils, who currently are ranked 18 in the nation and second in the WIAC.

In recent action, the lady Blue Devils continued to show tenacity in a 69-43 win over the University of Wisconsin-Superior, Tuesday, Feb. 8 at Superior.

What was thought to be a good matchup, considering the Yellowjackets were only loss by seven in the previous meeting, turned out to be a punishment courtesy of the lady Blue Devils.

In the second half that UW-Stout began to pour it on the Yellowjackets. When the teams' offense sputtered, the defense came up big, pulling down 61 rebounds and holding the Yellowjackets offense to 21 percent shooting from the field.

"We need to continue to play our basketball game, get the tempo where we want it and use our strengths," said Thomas. "We have good depth and have different players that are capable of getting the job done on any given night."

With this series of wins the teams' confidence continues to rise, and that may be well needed. The lady Blue Devils have to encounter their rival, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire on Saturday, Feb. 12 in Eau Claire, at Zorn Arena.

"Playing at Eau Claire is one of the most exciting games of the season: a packed gym, screaming fans for both teams and the ultimate college atmosphere," said sophomore guard Amanda Giessler. "Nothing but a win can complete the night."

This is anticipated to be one of the biggest games of the season and tickets are going fast.

In the home meeting between the two teams, UW-Stout came out on top with a 75-58 win and crumbled the Blugold defense with a 34-6 scoring run. The Blugold offense was also shutdown as Eau Claire shot 19 percent from the field and was only able to pull down 38 rebounds to the lady Blue Devils 48.

"In order to get a road win at Eau Claire we just need to keep up the dominant defense," said junior forward Molly Hendricks. "All our success comes from our defense."

Advanced tickets for the game are on sale in the UW-Stout Athletics main office, 203 Sports & Fitness Center. The cost is adults $10, seniors $6 and students $5.

Getting enough Blue Devil fans to the game could be the element necessary for a sweep of the teams archrival.

"We would love to see 1,000 students at our last home game and at Eau Claire and La Crosse," said Thomas. "The team could really use their help."

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

The UW-Stout women's basketball team has been on a hot streak recently. The Lady Blue Devils have won nine straight conference games, and will look for number 10 this Saturday when the team travels to UW-Eau Claire.

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UW-System budget raises tuition

By Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

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Tuition is on the rise due to Gov. Jim Doyle's 2005-2007 Biennial Budget proposal that was released on Feb. 8. The proposal could lead to a tuition increase between five and seven percent annually for the next two years.

Shawn Peter, director of Legislative Affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, feels that this number could go up when the budget is actually approved in July.

"The budget is a rosy picture right now, but when approved in July, it may be a different story," Peter said.

"The University of Wisconsin System is encouraged by several aspects of Gov. Doyle's 2005-07 budget proposal," said Kevin P. Reilly, president of the UW System. "The governor's intention to reinvest state tax dollars in the university system will begin to reverse the trend of previous budgets when the UW System took a disproportionate share of state funding cuts."

Over the next two years, the state's tax revenue budget is projected to grow $600 million per year. The UW System hopes to regain $140 million lost in the last biennium.

The proposed budget adds 125 faculty positions; the Board of Regents requested 300 new faculty positions. The new budget also includes $23 million in financial aid, which is an increase of 34 percent from the last biennial.

The Board of Regents proposed a financial aid initiative that would hold the students in the lowest two quintiles of income, about $46,000 or less, harmless from increases in tuition. This would help to keep enrollment of lower income students up. Doyle did not recommend funding for this.

Other initiatives that the Board of Regents proposed included ensuring student success which Doyle did recommend funding for, but for only a little more than 10 percent of what the Regents proposed.

Some of Doyle's initiatives include administrative staff reductions by 200 positions, $3 million for Alzheimer's research, and recommendations of $5 million for salary raises for faculty whose services are in high demand by other higher education institutions. Doyle also requested $1 million for Domestic Partner Benefits.

"Students and families will benefit from the governor's proposals to increase financial aid, to restore 125 faculty teaching positions, and to make sure tuition rates are manageable and predictable," said Reilly.

"Our task is to better deliver more efficiently and more effectively our educational services," said Reilly in a Jan. 19 address to UW-Stout faculty and staff. "We need to keep higher education affordable to all students in Wisconsin."

"[UW System has] lost 700 faculty in the last 10 years. In the same time we've grown by 10,000 students," said Reilly.

Two years ago the UW System suffered its deepest cuts ever and the highest tuition increases in the history of the system. Tuition was increased 37.5 percent over the last two years. Adding in the 14 percent that

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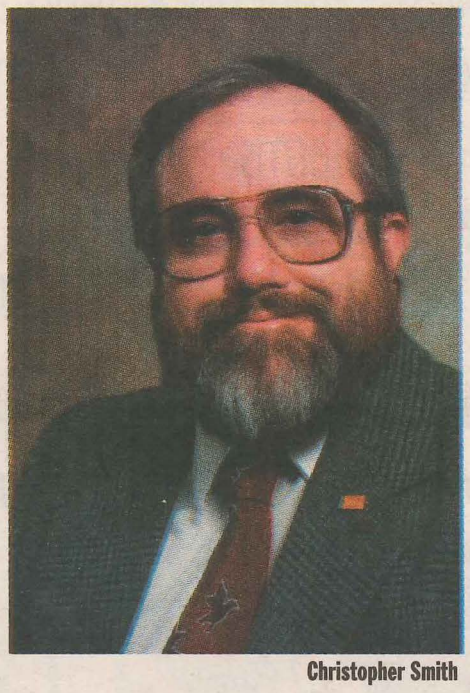
Smith nominated for excellence award

Menomonie, Wis. --- Christopher Smith, executive director of Stout Solutions at University of Wisconsin-Stout, has been nominated for a top academic staff award. Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen submitted his name for the 2005 Academic Staff Regents Award for Excellence.

"Chris has achieved great success with a variety of projects associated with UW-Stout, the greater Menomonie community and the state of Wisconsin," Sorensen said. "He consistently demonstrates an ability and willingness to work positively and effectively with others. He has a deep value for the UW System, for quality in higher education and for the relationships that make universities important to communities."

Smith has been at UW-Stout for nearly 23 years, serving as an instructor in the psychology and rehabilitation departments, outreach program manager for the Office of Continuing Education, school-to-work coordinator and executive director of the Tech Park.

In his current position, Smith directs the operations of UW-Stout's outreach enterprise, Stout Solutions, which involves budgetary oversight of $3 million and supervision of professional and support staff for continuing education, extension, and grants and research activities. In addition, the position includes management of the university's regional PK-16 consortium, which resulted in three conferences and the cooperative work of the Workforce Development Board, Cooperative Extension, regional universities, Chamber of Commerce and the private sector.



Christopher Smith

Through his leadership, Smith helped create a nine-county West Central Wisconsin Synergy Region, a process designed to better position that region, its communities, businesses and residents for sustainable economic growth.

Smith has been an active member of the community, serving on the School Board and its Strategic Planning Committee.

Each UW System campus may nominate one individual for the $5,000 Board of Regents' award. A special Regents committee will screen nominees based on four criteria: excellence of performance, personal interaction, initiative and creativity and outstanding achievement.

Recipients will be announced at the April meeting of the Board of Regents.

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Wednesday 24 / 11 Partly Cloudy
Thursday 35 / 22 Mostly Sunny

By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Citations for the week of February 7.
First offense underage drinking: 5

Parking brakes are useful
On Feb. 8, an officer reported to Lot 18 to investigate a car blocking the lane of traffic. Upon arriving, it appeared the car had been parked legally, but rolled out of the parking stall. The owner was contacted the car was parked again.

Extensive damage
A student reported damage to her '95 Neon in Lot 34, on Feb. 8. The antenna had been bent, and the student reported that she had last been to her car on Jan. 28. The student was able to bend the antenna back so that the car could be safely driven.

Always causing trouble
On Feb. 11, officers were flagged down at CKTO. A student reported he was outside for a smoke when he noticed three people knock down a light pole by the sidewalk. The only description the student could give was of three males, one wearing an FOB hooded sweatshirt. A search was made of the area and no one was found. The pole's wires were still attached and appeared to pose no threat to pedestrians.

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NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Lance Armstrong has announced that he will ride le Tour de France again this year, in pursuit of his seventh straight victory. Last year, after shattering all previous records and winning six tours in a row, he announced that he might not pursue a seventh. He announced his new plan to go for seven on the Web site of his team's new sponsor, Discovery Channel. "I am grateful for the opportunity that Discovery Communications has given the team and look forward to achieving my goal of a seventh Tour de France (victory)," said Armstrong on the team's Web site.

Armstrong

Extreme skier Alex Stall was killed earlier this week in an avalanche on Mt. Mansfield, VT. Stall was arcing turns on a steep chute when he fell about 30 feet from a cliff ledge, which triggered an avalanche. He was swept away and killed by trauma during the slide. Avalanches are not common in the eastern United States.

Ashley Olsen is suing the National Enquirer for libel and invasion of privacy for a total of $40 million. A headline read "Ashley Olsen caught in Drug Scandal," which she contends is not true.

February is National Pet Dental Health Month. Celebrate by brushing your dog's teeth.

February is also Low Vision Awareness Month, Wise Mental Health Consumer Month, American Hearth Month, Children's Dental Health Month and National Bird Feeding Month.

Scott Sullivan, former WorldCom director admitted to lying in order to cover up the hole in the company's finances. He revealed this at the trial of Bernard Ebbers, who is on trial for fraud and conspiracy in relation to the collapse of WorldCom.

A woman who was dressed up as a Hummer sport untility vehicle during the protests at the Republican National Convention is suing New York City for violating her civil rights when she was arrested.

A recent study of Giant Panda dung has found that the animals are taking on new habitat areas in recent years.

Police in Columbus, Ohio recently busted a prostitution ring operating out of a junk yard. They said it was the strangest thing they have found operating out of a junkyard.

A painting of dogs playing poker recently netted over $590,000 at auction.

Kevin Hair of Cleveland, Tenn., returned to his apartment to find a cardboard cutout of President Bush and a bottle of Jack Daniels whiskey had been stolen. He valued the items at $50 for the whiskey and $25 for President Bush.

A study at Duke University has found that male Rhesus monkeys will forgo immediate reward of fruit juice for the chance to view pictures of naked female Rhesus monkey bottoms.

Budget / *cuts statewide*

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tuition could go up this biennium means a 51 percent increase in tuition over four years.

According to a UW System budget fact sheet, along with the tuition increases came a decrease in educational quality and student access due to a loss of 650 faculty and administration positions.

Peter feels that there are many things that you can do to help keep our tuition rates down and quality of education high. All the members of the SSA senate are writing letters to the editor of their hometown newspapers.

Peter recommends that students contact their local legislator or write a letter to the editor of their home town newspapers. He also recommends telling students' parents to do the same.

"They think they can do this because the students don't care enough to voice their opinions," said Peter. "That is why we faced such huge cuts in the last biennium."

To find out who your legislators are visit www.legis.state.wi.us.

From a the budget forums with the Chancellor on February 14 until press time, it has been discussed that UW-Stout will be forced to make 10-12 cuts in non-academic administrative staff, and will be cut $6-800,000 next year. In order to make up for this cut, a tuition increase is expected.

The proposed budget is set to be approved in July, and could possibly change up until it is formally approved.

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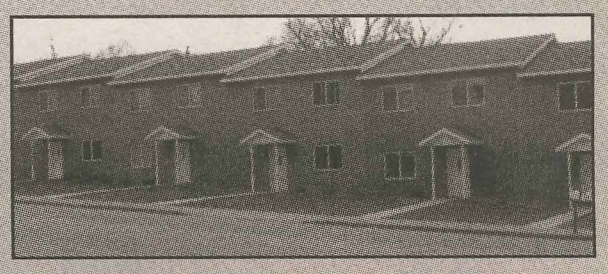

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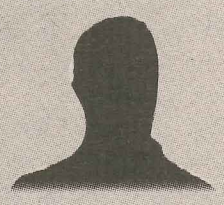

Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Are you a good American citizen?

When we asked that question at our staff meeting, about half of the people in the room raised their hands. Then we asked whether they consider themselves good people.

More hands were in the air this time, but still only a few more than half had their hands raised.

This was all brought on by the positive response we got from our editorial on the fact that not enough high school students know their First Amendment rights.

Counting the number of hands raised at a *Stoutonia* meeting isn't a true survey, nor is it even close to being scientific, but it still speaks to the fact that a good portion of college students don't feel like they are good citizens.

If half of a college population doesn't feel like good citizens, what makes the other half better? What makes a good citizen?

When that question was posed to our staff, the answers that came were quick and varied.

Answers ranged from being involved with our national government all the way to just being a decent person. Which is the right choice? Had we gotten any closer to finding the answers to good citizenship?

Some ideas that were mentioned more than once were: holding the government accountable, obey the law, being a good consumer and doing your civic duty.

One of the most heated topics revolved around holding the government accountable.

According to a number of *Stoutonia* employees, in order to be a good citizen, a person must attempt to keep a watchful eye on the government and do something about the times that the government fails them.

An example would be if there were a situation in your state where education was being cut, but senator's salaries were being increased; writing letters or calling a congressperson might help. This is watching over the government.

Another issue was standing behind those the population elects. This means not only standing behind the president but all public servants from city officials to congress.

A point that many on our staff feel is worth mentioning is that making a contribution to your community is important. You are a citizen of the United States, but you are a also a citizen of the town in which you live.

One of the last ideas for what makes a person a good citizen: the national anthem gives you a sense of pride.

If the anthem makes you think about all the sacrifice our country has had to endure in order for it to still be standing here, today, you are a good citizen.

If you ever look at an American flag and think of all the men and women who fought to defend this country, you are a good citizen.

If you drive the speed limit all the time and get mad at the people who speed, you are a good citizen, but you are seriously ticking off a lot of your fellow citizens.

If you care for your country because you love the idea of freedom and can't stand the thought of losing it, you are a good citizen.

Hatin' on V-Day

Steve Tietz
Opinions Columnist

I can't tell you how much Valentine's Day makes me gag.

I hate the thought of the holiday. It really means nothing. You could argue that Valentine's Day is the day to show your significant other your everlasting affection and dire love, but shouldn't that be done everyday?

Shouldn't we recognize what we have and love it everyday, not just once in awhile?

There are too many people in this world who have no sense of how to cherish something or someone; they have no sense of what it means to give more than you have and expect far less in return.

No amount of heart shaped chocolates, red roses, fine wines and tantalizing massages is going to keep a woman/man with you. If you want to stay with that person then why not be the person, you are on Valentine's Day, everyday?

I may have gone a bit far in my criticizing of Valentine's Day. It does offer at least one day in the year where we forget our selfish acts and do something nice for someone else. It is a beautiful thought, but it has become so distorted by corporate America that people now feel obligated to purchase monetary gifts of insult. Of course, there are the other benefits of Valentine's Day; the endless advertising and gift giveaways.

In a recent article in the USA Today's Life: Destinations and Diversions section, I read about a Sicilian hotel chain giving away free weekend stays to anyone who stays at one of their hotels and procreates a child.

There are other inherent benefits, such as the value of Hallmark and its other assorted evil collaborators making a steady jump in stock value.

Valentine's Day is just another tool for corporate America to enter our homes, our lives and our minds by implementing its greed for the greenback.

If you truly want to be a giver, take the money you would have spent on some useless trinket and send it to a starving child. I can guarantee he/she will appreciate another week or month of food more than he/she will ever appreciate those half wilted flowers.

If you want to do something righteous, spend an hour or two with someone who has lost a loved one.

If you want to do something that'll bring the magic back or spice up your love life, Valentine's Day is a good day to start, but don't stop there, show them everyday.

If you want to spread some love and you don't have a significant other, tell a friend, a family member, or even a roommate how much you're thankful for them. Valentine's Day is just another day, but like everyday we should cherish it

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We are training our minds and bodies in academia

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

This is the first in a series of articles.

In a very short time, I will be leaving behind me all that is Stout and Menomonie. Two very good friends and I are moving to Las Vegas in August to find our fortunes, as well as a great deal of adventure, we hope.

With that in mind, I have found myself reflecting on my academic history at Stout. What is academia? After consulting with dictionary.com (one of my all-time, top five favorite websites), I found that academia is the academic community. This didn't help, and after further digging in the electronic abyss I came upon the answer I was looking for.

Academia, more or less, has to do with an institution of higher learning. Higher learning; have I achieved higher learning? Do we, as a campus, find ourselves conducive to higher learning? This is quite the question; how does one go about answering it?

Carefully, I believe, and in small pieces; very small pieces, like a steak that has been cubed for the consumption of a small child. My knife and fork are ready, so lets grab the A-1 and see what transpires, shall we?

The first piece is small but succulent; red oozes from the impaled hunk of flame-kissed bovine flesh as it is being readied for consumption. The students are the first piece of any institution for higher learning. Without the students, there would be no call for the school or any of its employees from instructors to administration and to custodians; they would all be out of a job.

Do the students of the University of Wisconsin-Stout support an environment of higher learning? How does one go about answering this? I suppose I could count the bars around town or I could look to the STD statistics (which are astonishing, disgusting and wholly unattractive), but I think I will, instead, look at some of the more popular, as I see them, majors on campus.

Some of the more popular (from my perspective) majors on campus include, but are in no way limited to: packaging, construction, hotel, restaurant, and tourism management, general business, construction and art. Now, with the exception of the latter, I look at these and I see majors that require less actual learning and more training. This seems to be in line with what Stout originally was; a technical school.

Please do not misunderstand me. All of the above are very difficult and time-consuming fields. The stress of putting together a QFP meal alone would be enough to utterly squash lesser mortals. What I am saying is that these seem to be less about expanding the mind through learning and more about training the mind, and in some cases body, to do a job once an individual leaves the premises.

This is a theory that I have held about Stout for a very long time, it trains students instead of encouraging learning. The students work hard, instructors train the students in their chosen fields and then the students are placed into the workforce to do what they are supposed to do best in society.

How many of us actually know what our society is? How many of us can tell one another how our government actually works? How many of us have actually learned something of our own culture while here? Do you know why there is a pyramid on our currency with the top floating above it and an eye inside? I'm talking about critical thinking and skills needed to continue self-education after leaving the land of the "S."

Recently the administration has introduced a new way for undergrads to go through their programs; prescriptions for degrees designed to get us in and out as quickly as possible. It's very similar to a McDonald's drive-thru, or worse, the way burgers are "cooked" inside the "restaurant." As you can imagine, I don't approve of this last part; people are not products to be bragged about at board meetings. I'll have more on that next week, faithful readers, when I look closely at our administration.

Band performs in European cities

By Marta Peters
Student Life Writer

Music knows no boundaries, no language and no limitations. The University of Wisconsin-Stout band discovered those very things when they had the privilege of touring in Europe the beginning of January.

"No matter what else is going on in the world, what beliefs you have, or language you speak, everyone enjoys great music," said Teal Robillard, band president and a senior in hotel, restaurant and tourism management major. "Music bridges the gap between cultures."

A total of 46 students attended the tour and traveled to Germany, Holland and Switzerland for two weeks. During that time, they went to seven different cities and performed in major concerts at each one. Along with performing in concerts, the members of the band also played at receptions and town parties.

The time and talent that came from weeks of practicing in preparation for the tour was reflected within each audience that heard the band play.

"The audiences were amazed at our students' talent level and their very professional manner," said Dr. Stephanie Graber, band director. "They were quite impressed and showed it in their most hearty applause."

Donations were given to the band after each performance; the group was able to use the donated money for a good cause, giving over $4,000 to the Tsunami relief fund in Indonesia.

This is a noble act considering that since there is no music major at UW-Stout and the band does not always receive as much funding as other groups around campus. Therefore, members were responsible for paying for the trip to Europe entirely by themselves, which is yet another indication of their commitment to their musical group.

Many, however, were able to put their money-conscious minds to work and found various ways to pay for the trip by digging into savings or by receiving grants to study abroad.

Other participants, such as Catie Cox, a senior multimedia design major, came up with the money in a slightly more creative way.

"I personally made a deal with my parents that if they would pay for me to go on tour, I would give up receiving presents for Christmas and my birthday this year," Cox said.

No matter how students went about getting the funding, they would agree the expense of the trip was well worth it. Not only were they able to express their talents, but the trip was also a cultural experience.

For example, band members had the opportunity to stay with families that were residents of each city they stayed. By doing this they were able to gain more insight and a better appreciation for each place they visited.

"The home stays in each community were very important and special for our students," said Graber. "They got to know the culture and its people in a more intimate way and actually sit down and discuss world events and ideas."

The sights of Europe were another learning experience for the members of the band. Some of the churches that they performed in were built in the 1500s and had historical context to them.

Other experiences of the trips weren't as educational, but just plain fun.

"My fondest memory of the trip would be going sledding in the Swiss Alps," said Karen Metzner, a sophmore graphic design major. "That was an amazing experience and was so much fun."

No doubt that sledding in Switzerland is much different than in Wisconsin. It was memorable for many students who, along with Metzner, had stories to share.

"In Switzerland, it takes you three to five minutes to take the train to the top of the hill and you enjoy an amazing four to six minute ride all the way down," said Cox. "We were going so fast that one of the other students took out a picnic table and some chairs while trying to stop."

The memories of the trip, both musical and cultural, will last with the members of the band for a lifetime, which can be observed through their stories and appreciation for Europe.

"It is an awesome experience," said Graber. "The world truly becomes a global community for you."

Anyone interested in joining the band can contact Dr. Graber or sit in on one of the band's practices. The next trip, for anyone who is curious, is again scheduled for Europe.

Courtesy of Michael Schaefer
Over winter break, the UW-Stout band traveled to Europe where they performed in seven cities in Germany, Holland and Switzerland.

Conference aims to improve leadership and professional skills

Fifth annual Motivating Individual Leadership and Excellence at Stout (MILES)conference to be held Feb. 19

By Amy Krause
Student Life Writer

Take a look around. Take a look at the people sitting next to you in class, at the computer lab, at your friends. Yes, believe it or not, all of these people will some day be professionals. That scary word associated with growing up, becoming a leader and being responsible. But have no fear; help is here.

It's the annual M.I.L.E.S. conference which stands for Motivating Individual Leadership and Excellence at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. Going on its fifth year, this conference is for students on campus to help them in their professional lives.

"We hope participants will walk away feeling motivated as a leader, gain new knowledge that can be applied in their life as a professional and have something to put on their resume, or in their portfolio," said Carly Hach, this year's conference chairperson.

Sound good? It gets better. With this valuable information comes valuable people giving the information. There will be a number of workshops given by alumni, staff and regional business persons as well as a keynote speaker, Michelle Neujahr.

Neujahr is a motivational speaker who will be presenting, "Leading the U-R-Awesome Way." Her experience as an entrepreneur and motivational speaker makes her an expert in increasing workplace morale, personal development and change management.

Some of the workshop topics include, "Non-Management Leadership?" "Connecting learning and service with your career" and "Design-ed Fresh Daily."

Along with the numerous real-life workshops and presentations, come the tangible goodies. To help make you feel even more like a professional the conference committee is supplying each attendee a ball-point pen, leather binder with notepaper, coffee at registration, a catered lunch and a certificate of completion.

There is a $20.00 fee for the conference.

"The M.I.L.E.S. committee understands how precious money is to college students, and we hope that each student feels their money is well spent," said Hach.

M.I.L.E.S. isn't catered to one specific group; rather, anyone interested in gaining these professional skills may attend the conference. Hach wants to point out that all majors and years in school will gain something from attending.

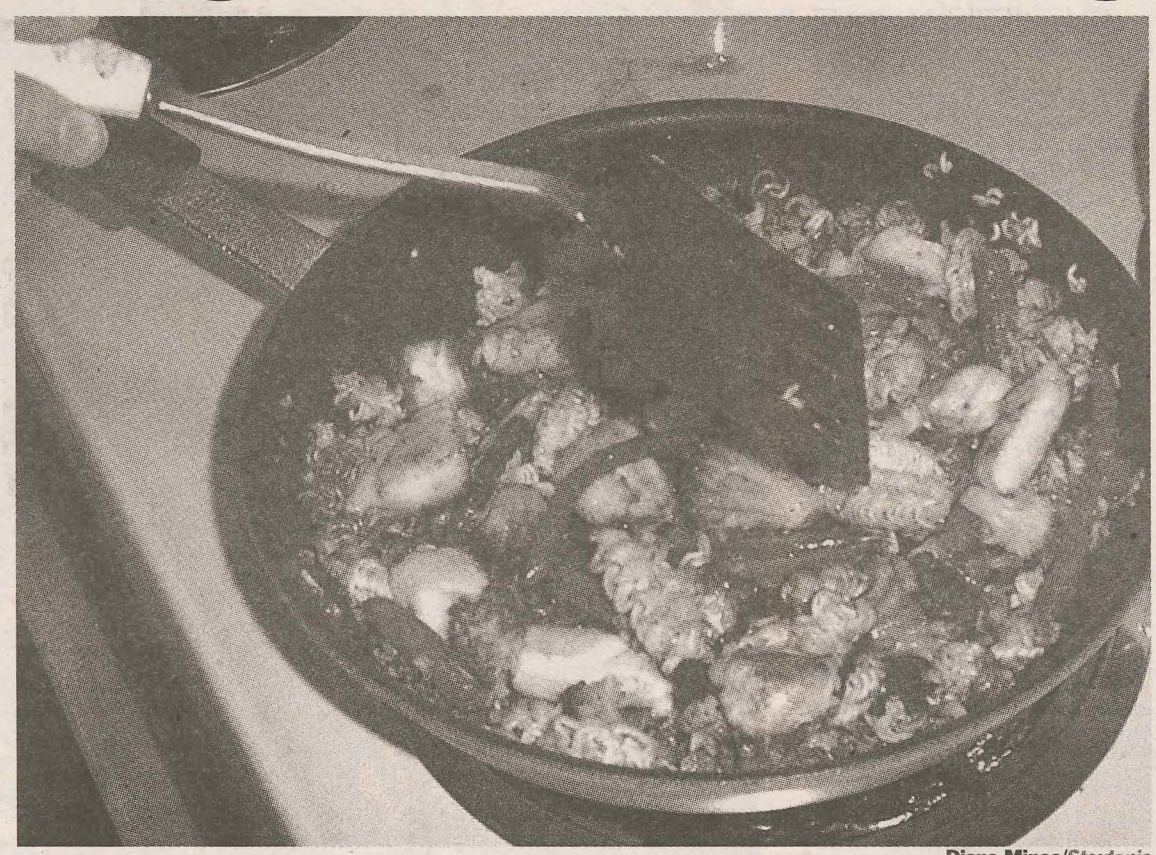
"We work all year developing and enhancing M.I.L.E.S. and try to cater to all needs of the Stout population," said Hach.

The conference will be held at the Memorial Student Center on Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and will be a business environment. If you are interested in attending, contact Carly Hach at hachc@uwstout.edu for late registration.

"It's going to be another great year for the M.I.L.E.S. Leadership Conference; we [the conference committee] are looking forward to meeting all those who attend," said Hach.

Meals using common college foods

Katie Bader
Columnist



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By combining chicken, vegetables and soy sauce with plain ramen noodles, the common dish is made healthier. The ramen adds a crunch to the dish, which resemble chow mein noodles or peanuts.

After a busy day of classes, one of the last things most students feel like doing is thinking of what to make for dinner. Most people take a look in their cupboards and cook up the usual: Easy Mac, spaghetti or Ramen among others. These noodle dishes are cheap and very easy to make, but do they provide the nutritional value our bodies need?

Variety is key for a healthy diet in order to fulfill all the different nutrient requirements. Variety also satisfies our taste buds providing the array of flavors. And variety is not as hard to achieve as it looks

Take crackers for example.

"Crackers are always on my shelf, and I love to eat them," said Steve Williams, a junior in manufacturing engineering.

Crackers by themselves are plain, boring and not very nutritious. Crackers topped with a peanut butter and a slice of apple are fulfilling, nutritious and have much more flavor.

Also, try crackers topped with a slice of ham and low-fat cheese, or topped with salsa. They can also be delicious when topped with apple butter and raisins. Now the ordinary, boring snack of crackers has become a healthy and satisfying light supper.

Another great dinner dish is Pasta-Roni or Rice-a-Roni. There are so many different types and flavors, there is sure to be variety in your diet.

"I always eat Pasta-Roni," said Heather Zell, a junior in packaging.

To increase your vegetable intake, throw in some broccoli or green peppers or another vegetable appropriate to the pasta you choose to use.

Here are three recipes using foods that are most commonly found on college students' shelves. Instead of the simple, basic versions of these foods, the recipes bring variety, flavor and nutrients to dinner.

Macaroni and cheese is one of the staples of a college student's life. This cheesy dish provides a great midnight snack or can fill the stomach for supper. Unfortunately, macaroni and cheese is low in most vitamins and is not very healthy. If macaroni and cheese is eaten regularly, not only will the body miss out on the valuable nutrients, but also on variety.

Here is a variation on basic mac and cheese that includes vegetables to give it a healthy boost, but can still be made in less than five minutes.

Easy Mac, Cheese and Veggies

1 pkg. Easy Mac
1/2 can mixed vegetables, any type
1/4 cup crushed crackers

1. In a medium sized microwave-safe bowl mix together Easy Mac as directed on package.

2. Stir in ½ can vegetables and sprinkle the crushed crackers on top.

3. Microwave on high for 3 to 4 minutes or as directed on Easy Mac package.

4. Enjoy your easy and nutritious macaroni and cheese.

Spaghetti is also a common favorite for many students.

"I always keep some spaghetti on my shelves," said Josh Lippert-Negen, a junior in manufacturing engineering.

Adding vegetables to spaghetti sauce is an easy way to add some flavor to your sauce and gain some extra vitamins. Add some more vegetables to this recipe or take some out depending on your tastes.

Vegetable Spaghetti

1 cup uncooked spaghetti
1/2 cup broccoli florets
1/2 small can whole kernel corn, drained
1 cup sliced mushrooms
1 cup sliced carrots
1 8 ounce can tomato sauce

1. In a large pot, boil the spaghetti according to package directions. Cook until spaghetti is done and drain.

2. In another large pot, combine broccoli, corn, mushrooms, carrots and tomato sauce. Cook on medium heat, stirring occasionally for 15 to 20 minutes or until vegetables are tender.

3. Serve the sauce over the spaghetti and enjoy!

Recipe continues on page 7

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Where is the best place to hook up on campus?

"In the service center, because the video cameras are already in place. Please don't fire me."

Morgan Schiferl
Multimedia Design
Senior

"The Harvey Hall elevator, because then they can't escape."

Tim Peterson
Industrial Design
Junior

"1st Hansen, because all my guy friends live there."

Randi Hass
Graphic Design
Freshman

"By the lake. They've got some nice benches down there; it's pretty romantic."

Andy Pribel
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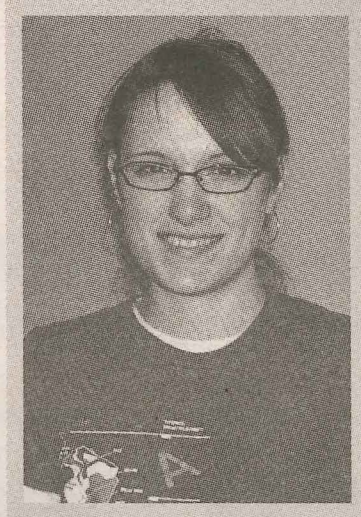

Jacklyn Adamak
Graphic Design
Senior

Tina Fey
Actress
Saturday Night Live

Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us see it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.

Recipe / *Making the most of Ramen and Easy Mac*

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Almost every college kid has Ramen noodles. For only 16 cents for a meal, this cheap and easy pasta is anything but nutritious.

If you take away the seasoning, add chicken, veggies and soy sauce, ramen noodles can provide an excellent and fulfilling meal. This recipe can be done in a matter of minutes and the noodles add a tasty crunch. If you are using frozen chicken, microwave for about three minutes beforehand to make it easy to chop up and quicker cooking.

Ramen Stir-Fry

1 Tablespoon olive oil
1 raw, unfrozen chicken breast
3/4 cup frozen vegetables
3/4 pack Ramen noodles
1 Tablespoon soy sauce

1. Slice the chicken breast into bite-sized pieces and put in large skillet with oil.

2. Turn on medium-high heat, cook chicken, stirring occasionally until chicken is lightly browned but no longer pink on the inside.

3. Add vegetables and stir until vegetables become soft.

4. Crush the Ramen noodles thoroughly, so no big pieces of ramen are left. Take out the seasoning packet. Pour nearly all of the package of ramen noodles into pan. Stir constantly to prevent burning.

5. When the noodles become light brown, turn off heat and stir in soy sauce.

Because these recipes have extra vitamins, not only will the foods promote weight loss, but will also make you feel healthier.

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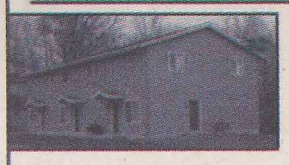

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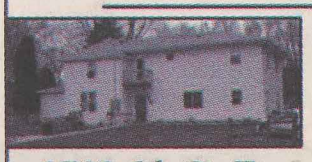

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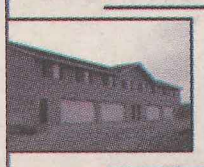

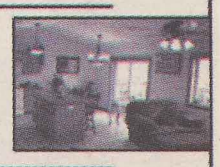

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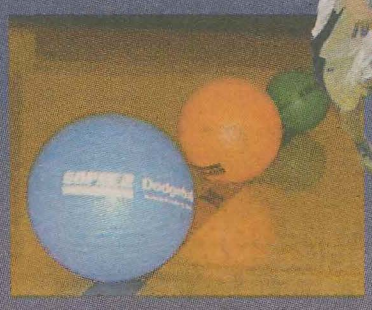
On Campus

Sports

Men's | Hockey & Basketball
Women's | Basketball
Intramurals | Dodgeball



Organization

First Place | URec
Second Place | Blue Devil Productions

Major

First Place | Business
Second Place | Psycholog

Entertainment at Stout

First Place | Blue Devil Productions

Place to Work on Campus

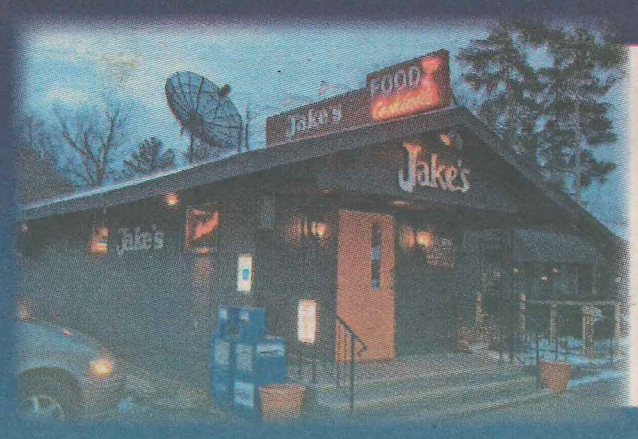
First Place | URec
Second Place | Service Desk

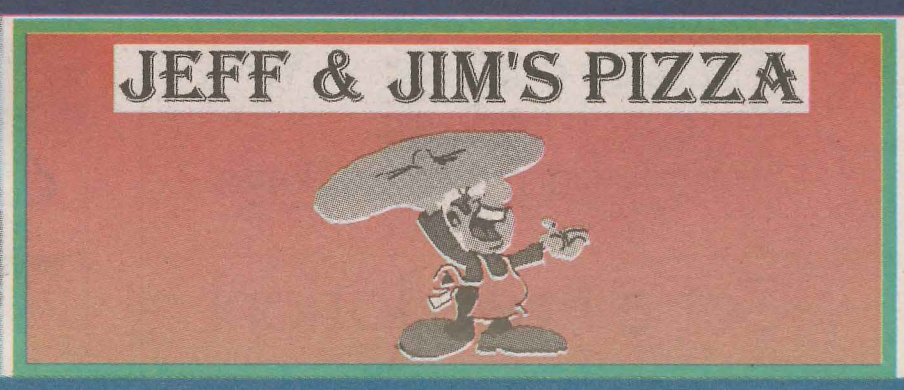
Stoutonia Employee

First Place | Kristen Barnes
Second Place | Amy Stoeghauer

Faculty/Staff Member

First Place | Holly Demarce
Second Place | Don Baughman





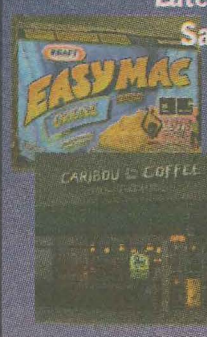
Honorable Mentions

Best Entertainment at Stout | Freshmen & The Walk of Shame
Best Place to Get Away | Not Menomonie
Best Organization | National Rifle Association
Best Date Place | Makeout Lane

Around Town

Food

Food for the College Budget | Easy Mac
Late Night Muchies | Jeff and Jim's
Sandwiches/Subs | Acoustic Cafe
Grocery Store | Lammer's Food Fest
Pizza | Jeff and Jim's
Fast Food | Culver's, Burger King & McDonald's
Fine Dining | Jake's
Coffe in Town | Caribou Coffee

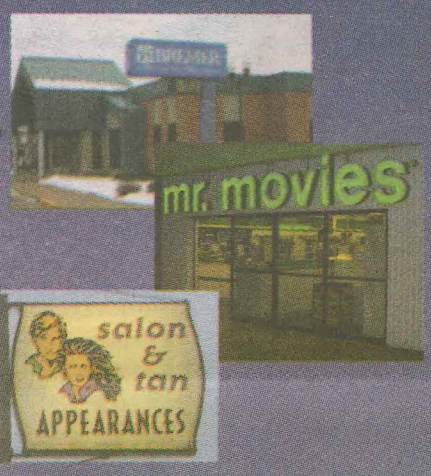


Police Officer

First Place | Lisa Walter
Second Place | None

Businesses

New Business | Jeff and Jim's
Hair Salon | Appearances
Video Store | Mr. Movies
Auto Repair | Cannon
Bank | Bremer



Free Time

Place to Get Away | Twin Cities
Weekend Activity | Drinking
Date Place | Acoustic Cafe & Zanzibar's
Scenic Place | Devil's Punch Bowl

Atmosphere

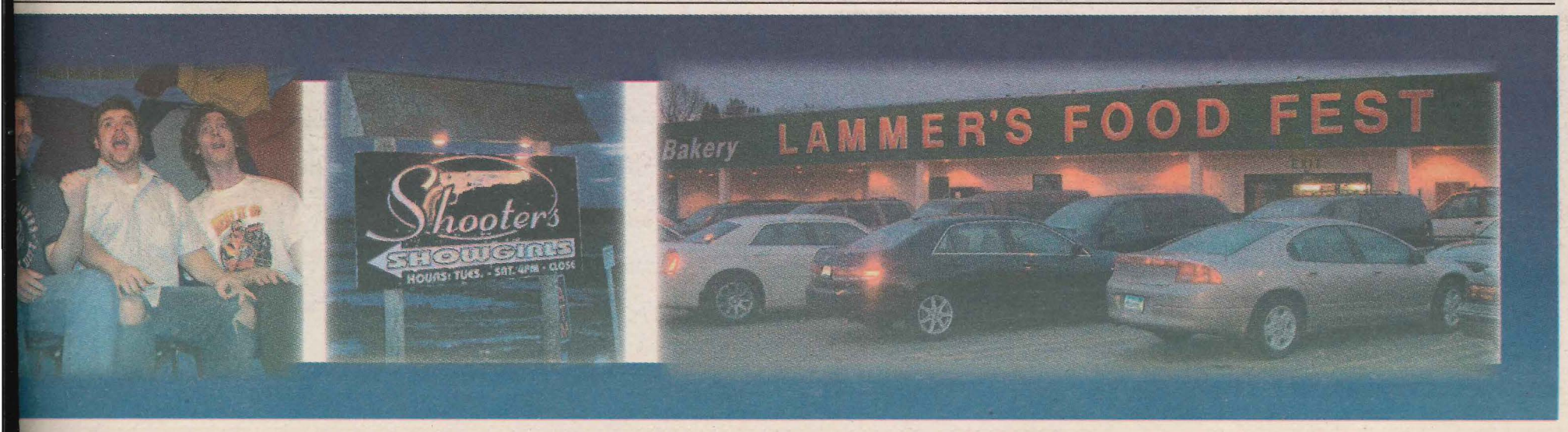
First Place | The Buck
Second Place | Acoustic Cafe

Adult Beverage

Drink Special | Beat the Clock
Liquor Store | Jim's Riverside
Bartender | Male: Pat, Female: Kris
Bar | The Buck & Someplace Else

Place to Work off Campus

First Place | Shooters



The 411

February 17 to February 24

Thursday, Feb. 17
>Open Mic Night, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
>Thursday Night Out, 8 p.m., Rec. Center, free.

Friday, Feb. 18
>Masked Marvels & Wondertales, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $12 students.
>Vagina Monologues, Huff's, 7 p.m., $10.
>Men and Women's Track-Blue Devil Open, Johnson Fieldhouse, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 19
>John Starkey Group, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $10 students.
>Vagina Monologues, Huff's, 7 p.m., $10.
>Women's Basketball vs. UW-Platteville, Multi-Pupose Field, 1 p.m.
>Men's Basketball vs. UW-Platteville, Multi-Pupose Field, 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 20
>U.L. Praise Band, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $6, all ages.

Monday, Feb. 21
No events scheduled.

Tuesday, Feb. 22
No events scheduled.

Wednesday, Feb. 23
No events scheduled.

Thursday, Feb. 24
>Music: Ashtray Hearts, Rec. Center, 8 p.m., free.
>Thursday Night Out, 8 p.m., Rec. Center, free.

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Nothing stinky about sushi

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Uncensored, nonstop, pee your pants comedy and it was all written by students? Sorry, big mistake, it is all written, directed and performed by students. Sushi Burgers 2005 has made its run through campus, and once again they delivered a masterful performance.

"My favorite part is getting the chance to act like a nerd," said Beth Olson, a senior majoring in psychology.

Running for two weekends straight, this extravaganza event is pure sketch comedy with a burst of extreme adrenaline.

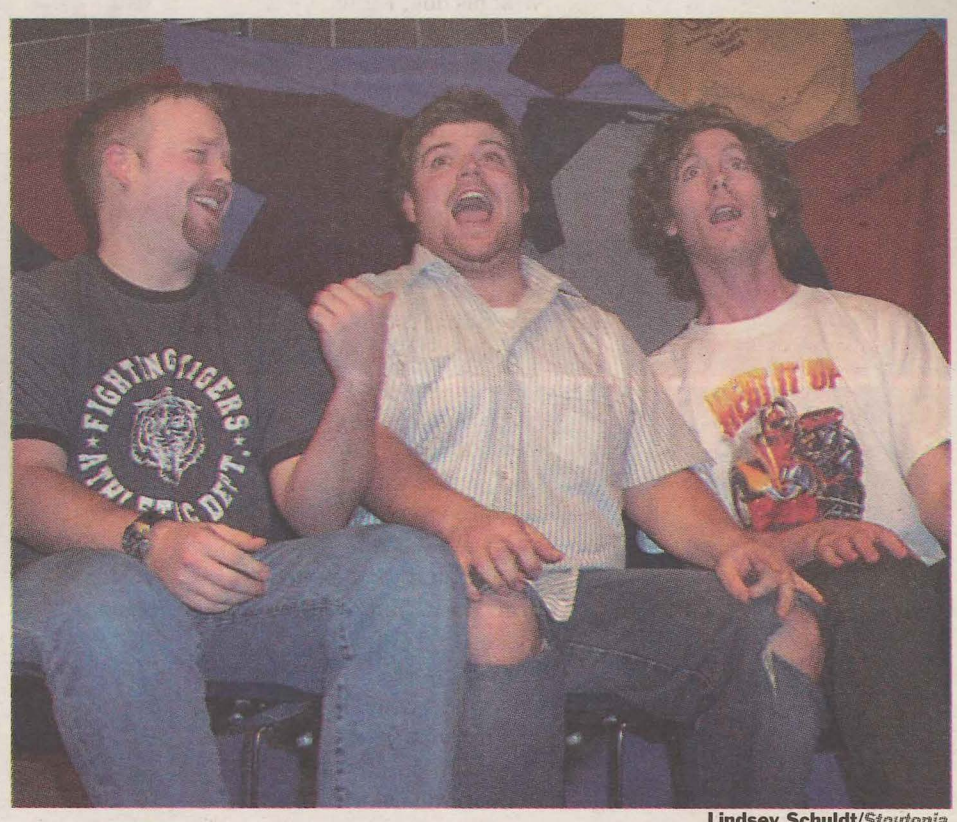
The actors have rehearsed the events and know most of the lines, but there is one big catch: they don't know when they're going to be called on stage.

"You get to be as crazy and absurd as you want to be," said Corey Schmitt, a senior majoring in studio art. "I love it."

As soon as a skit ends, an announcer screams out the name of a new skit, and the stage is taken down and rearranged. In seconds, the actors are already starting their lines.

"We get to bring back the New Kids on the Block," said Nathan Reed, a senior majoring in graphic design. "How cool is that?'

I had the opportunity to catch one of their rehearsals and found just how diverse the actors have to be. The main difference I noted from the actual show as opposed to the rehearsals was that I didn't get pickle juice on me when one of the actors wrestled a massive pickle and lost.



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(above) Andy McKenzie, Nathan Reed and Corey Schmitt lose and find themselves all within one skit. (below) Elizabeth Olson finds out that even other superheros can get caught in Spiderman's web.

Coming down on the pickle with an elbow drop, the poor pickle exploded. Still, it managed to take it's tattered pieces back into the ring to come out the masterful champion.

"The hardest part about doing this is the rug burns from the pickle matchup," said Schmitt.

The group spares nothing when it comes to sexual innuendos and is completely fearless of any boundary. If an idea is crazy enough to make you think, 'That would never happen,' it was probably in Sushi Burgers.

"I learned Britney Spears dance moves," said Erin Falkner, a senior majoring in studio art. "No, I don't do them in public."

Some kids like to go to the movies on weekends, others like to go to superhero anonymous meetings. If you're in the second of the group, you might want to consider trying out for Sushi Burgers next year, as an actor, before you consider directing your own skit.

"Directing is f-bomb hard," said Reed.

If you're like the majority of the crowd and want to see the meeting but would never get up there to be one of the superheros, then I suggest you buy your tickets early next year.

Movies, critics and the public library

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

Have you ever been to the Menomonie Public Library?

If you have been there recently, then you may know of the classic mystery film series going on this month every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.

Last Thursday, the first in the series was shown; a black and white beauty, circa 1944, called "Laura." In this flick we, the audience, are treated to Vincent Price, perhaps better known to many of us as the inventor in "Edward Scissorhands," to an absolutely amazing interpretation of Vera Caspary's character, Shelby Carpenter.

In this quasi-noir story, Shelby is my favorite character. Mr. Price plays this arrogant fop to a tee (shirt or otherwise). I felt that many of the characters were about as deep as the kiddy pool you got drunk in last summer, but Shelby was an absolute hoot. He's a cad and a rogue but a lovable one, if for no other reason than to see what he will say next.

The films are hosted for free by the Menomonie Public Library with free refreshments. Good conversations run rampant both before and after the films with a somewhat guided discussion by University of Wisconsin-Stout's own Dr. Jonna Gjevre and Dr. Jean-Marie Dauplaise.

This made the evening even more enjoyable for me. When my friends and I go out for a film, we always discuss it afterwards. We compare, contrast and cite other films in the genre.

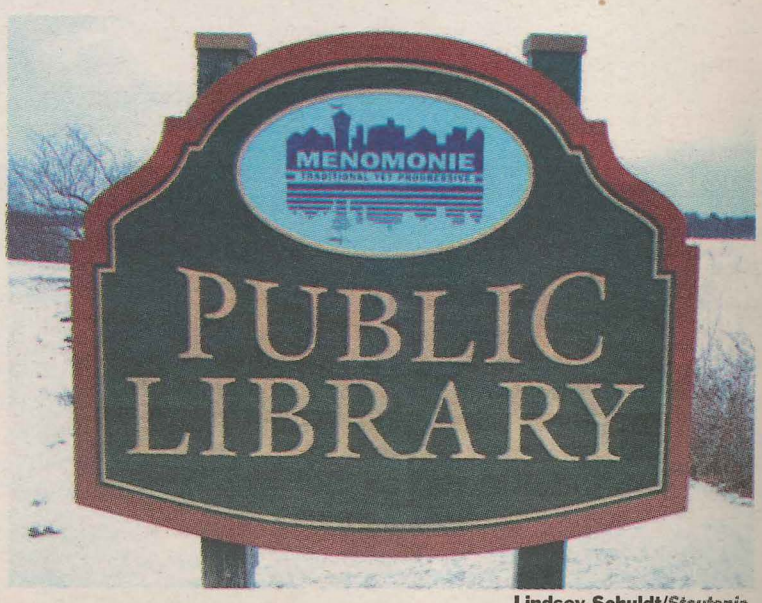
With this opportunity, anyone has the chance to discuss film with a couple of professors, students and people from the community. How often do you get to sit down, meet a local and have a meaningful conversation?

The conversation at the end of the film lasts for about 30 minutes and is by no means mandatory.

Feb. 17 will see the viewing and discussion of the heist flick "Asphalt Jungle." I'm looking forward to it and would love to see more students attend. Next week, same bat-time, same bat-channel will be "Kurosawa's Throne of Blood."

If you would like any more information, you can stop by the library or contact Tim at 232-2164.

The evening is a good time and is absolutely free; you don't even need a library card.



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(above) The Menomonie Public Library is offering a free showing of mystery films for the entire month of February.

You'll never want to leave Neverland

Rachel Wick
Entertainment Writer

"Finding Neverland" is truly a rare find within the film industry's present trend of producing prefabricated movies. Not only is this motion picture truly touching and heartfelt without being sappy or forced, but it also displays beautiful acting and stunning visual effects.

Initially the moviegoer is transported to Edwardian England in the year 1903, where the once acclaimed Scottish playwright James M. Barrie (Johnny Depp) is struggling to find inspiration in his life.

Barrie's marriage to Mary (Radha Mitchell) lacks passion and appears to be smothering his attempts at producing any imaginative material. In time, Barrie stumbles upon his seemingly "lost imagination" while enjoying an average day in the park with his dog, Rufus.

While in London's Kensington Gardens, Barrie meets Sylvia Llewelyn Davies (Kate Winslet) and her four sons: Peter (Freddie Highmore), Michael (Luke Spill), George (Nick Roud) and Jack (Joe Prospero) who ultimately become his sources of inspiration for the play "Peter Pan."

Barrie spends that initial meeting playing with the children in the picturesque park. He acts out various stories for their amusement. During his first performance for the family through the pure power of imagination, Barrie transforms his dog into a dancing grizzly bear right before the eyes of a skeptical Peter. This, unbeknownst to the family, begins their journey to "Neverland."

In the days that follow, Barrie spends an increasing amount of time with the Llewelyn Davies family and less time at home with his wife. The time that Barrie spends with Sylvia and her children results in a dramatic transformation. Because of his playacting with the children, Barrie's creative juices begin flowing to produce "Peter Pan."

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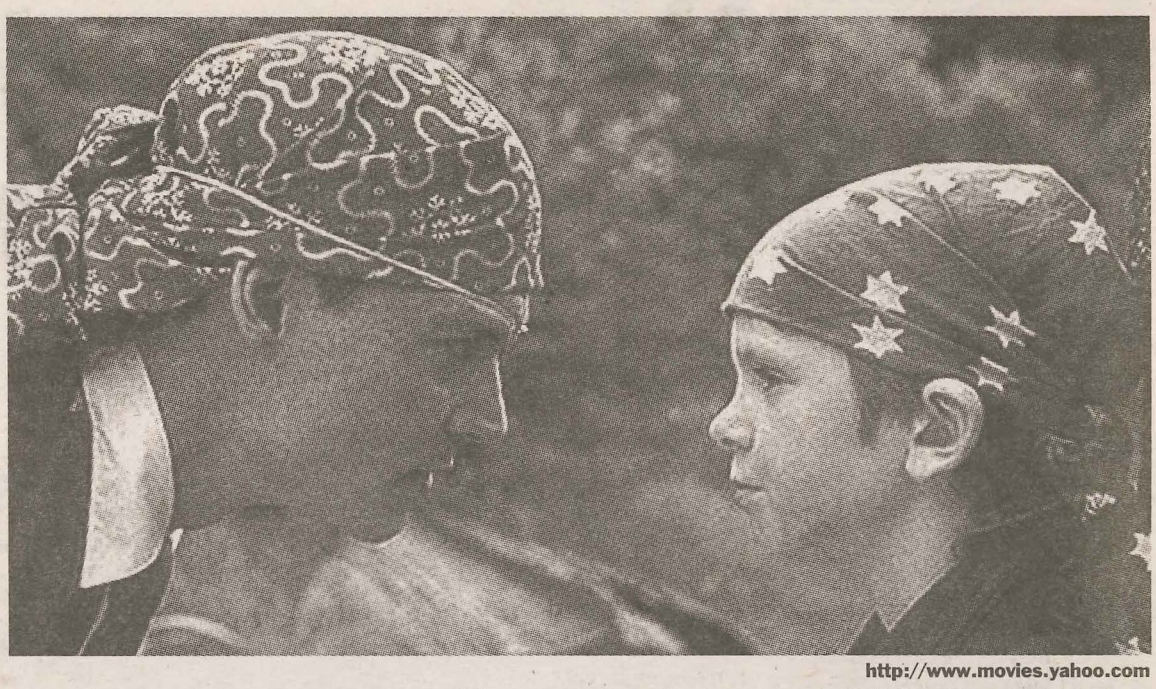

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(above & below) Johnny Depp plays one of his most challenging roles ever in "Finding Neverland," but the hard work paid off when the nominations came out for the 2005 Oscars.

Over time, Peter, Sylvia's reserved son begins to warm up to Barrie, and the two of them form a kind of father/son relationship, which both parties seem to need.

Since his father's death, Peter has pulled away from the rest of his family and has left his childhood too soon (hence the birth of the character Peter Pan, the eternal boy who never has to grow up), which brings up an interesting question. Is Peter the true Peter Pan, or is Barrie? Director Marc Forester ultimately lets the moviegoer decide.

Forester creates a stunning world full of pixies, pirates, children who can fly and that one special child who never has to take on the sometimes harsh realities that come with the passage to adulthood.

This movie transports its viewers into the incredible imagination and psyche of Barrie and gives them the key into Neverland.

"Finding Neverland" brings with it fond memories of what it is like to be a child and to live each day in a constant state of wonder.

In addition, this movie is full of tremendous performances.

Depp has received an Oscar nomination for his role as Barrie and rightfully so. He has once again shown his incredible range as an actor. Depp brings a feeling of wonderment and sincerity to the character of Barrie as he becomes an integral part of the life of the Llewelyn Davies.

Kate Winslet gives a strong performance as Sylvia, a woman who is strong-willed and attempting to take care of her four sons on her own.

While both Depp and Winslet's performances are exceptional, the standout performance is that of Freddie Highmore. Highmore plays Peter, the boy who is struggling with the eternal battle of staying a child or becoming the adult he thinks that his family needs him to be. Highmore brings a combination of angst and hope to the role, leaving the viewer frustrated and optimistic at the same time. Ultimately, young Highmore gives a beautiful and memorable performance.

Dustin Hoffman also plays a key role in "Finding Neverland" as Barrie's supportive but slightly neurotic theatre director.

"Finding Neverland" is a movie that I enjoyed more than I anticipated.

Although, for anyone that is considering checking it out, I recommend a box of tissues because even the hardest of hearts will need at least one.

Calling all players: it's on

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

I put all of my chips in on every hand. Maybe it's not the most conventional way to spend money, but at least then I know I wasted it and didn't lose it.

If you play poker like I do, you might not want to be entered in the Texas Hold'Em tournament being held on Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

The tournament is being held in the Great Hall, and there are 88 empty seats that need to be filled before the night begins. With pregame registration required, open seats are filling up quickly.

Luckily, though, registration lasts until the day before the tournament. It isn't likely there will be many seats left, since it is completely free to enter the competition.

The prize for first place is a portable DVD player and bragging rights for the entire campus.

Texas Hold 'Em, a game that has become globally recognizable since the bust of celebraties playing it on television, will play out by regular rules.

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Each contestant will have two cards placed face down in front of them and given a certain amount of chips. Then, five more cards are laid down, face up, on the table and can contribute to any one of the players' hands.

The tournament will then start to cancel people out until the final table is left and one winner emerges. Since it is the first year, there is only one main prize, but the top eight contestants will be recognized in the following week's *Stoutonia* issue.

"This tournament's the only place to be," said Luke Heiar, a senior majoring in engineering technology and facilities.

To get more information on the tournament, you can call the Involvement and Leadership desk at 232-1772, or you can stop by to sign up yourself and a friend. The desk is located in the lower level of the Memorial Student Center, right across from Huff's.

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Feb. 24:
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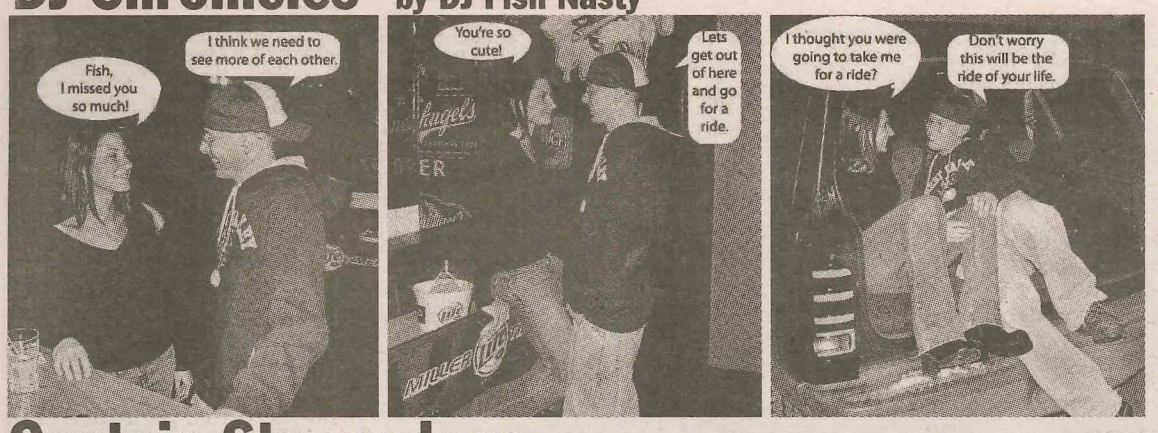
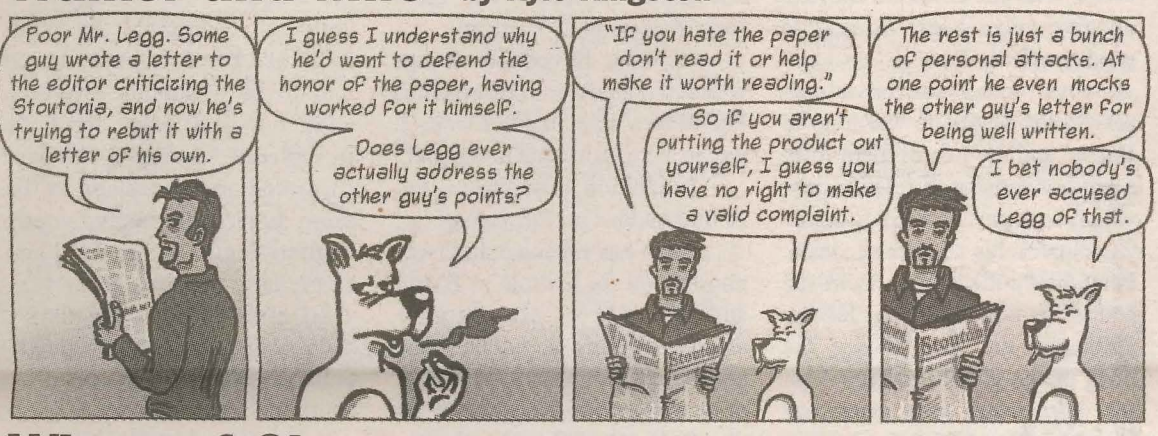


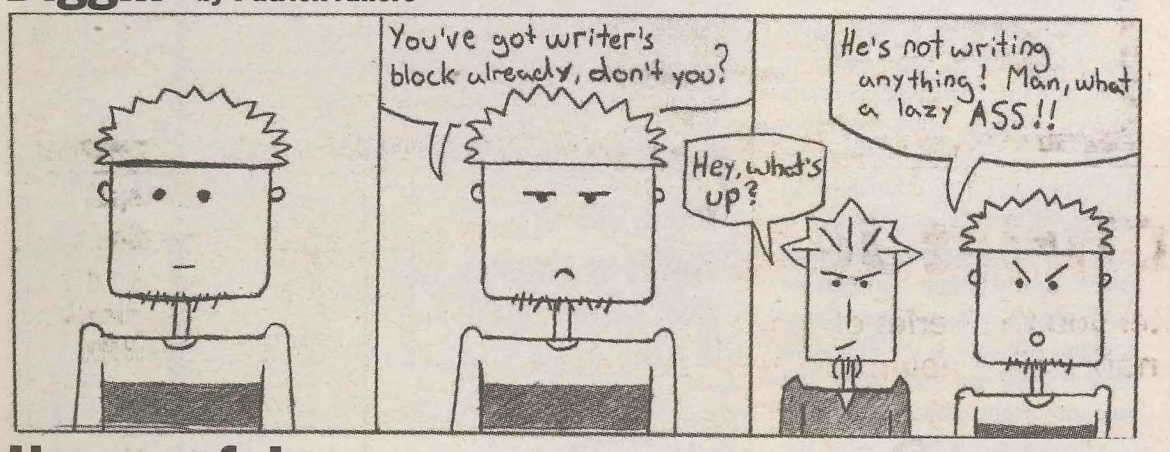
Captain Stupendous by Nathan Vernau

Walker and Milo by Kyle Kingston



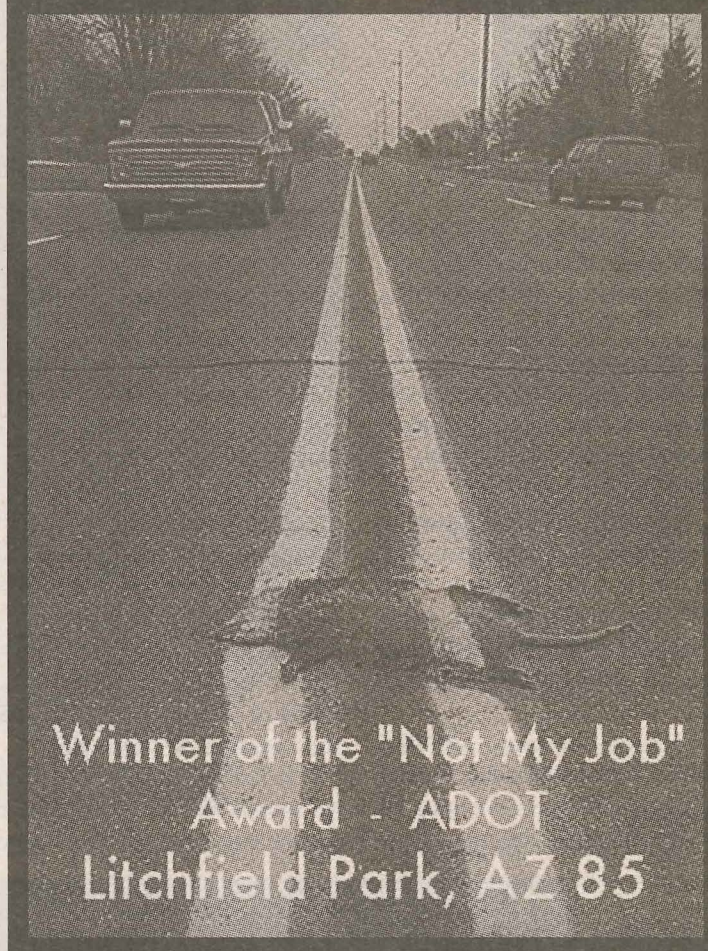
Wings of Change by Mari Rose

Diggin' by Patrick Ahiers



Ungraceful by Ami Kriho

Not My Job Award



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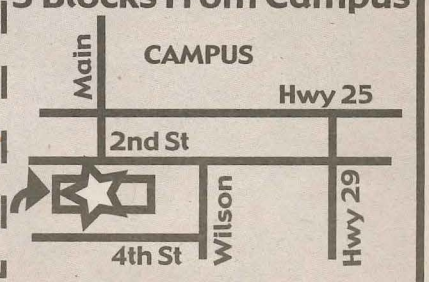

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Indoor track hits ground running

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Lace up your Nikes, it's time to catch up with the University of Wisconsin-Stout track & field team. With the indoor season already underway, many of the Blue Devil runners have earned top finishes in competition.

There are 55 athletes on the men's team this year, which is the maximum amount a team can have in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

On the women's side, the 45 runners will be led by national triple jump champion Laura Verdegan.

Verdegan will be participating in her first, full track & field season and will look to defend her triple jump title and fourth place finish in the long jump.

The men's team is lead by four captains: seniors Scott Barthel, Lewis Cassellius and Ryan Chernik, along with junior Ryan Carpenter.

Josh Buchholtz's goal this year was to get a full squad so that he would have more to work with and more opportunities. This is Buchholtz's third year as the head coach of UW-Stout's men's track & field.

"Everything is going well this year, so far," said Buchholtz. "We only had two throwers last season, and now we have six."

The interest in track & field has increased over time, and so many people tried out that cuts had to be made at the beginning of the season.

"There were many injuries last year, which caused the team to struggle, but this season we are going to minimize that dramatically," says Buchholtz.

Athletes to watch out for this season are sophomore sprinter and hurdler Derek Gonzenbach.

According to teammate Scott Barthel, Gozenbach has improved his speed dramatically this season and should make an impact on the team's efforts to reach the top.

On the women's side, Liana Frisch is one of many competitive women for the Blue Devils.

Frisch recently broke her own pole vault record with a leap of 10 feet, 7 inches.

Sophomore Ryan Kawski is looking to have a great season this year by picking up two new events. Bucholtz thinks he should be able adjust to them quickly and possibly qualify for nationals in three events.

The men's team hopes to rack up most of their points through their sprinters at the meets. With all the talent on the team, there is hope that some Blue Devil runners can go as far as nationals.

Runners need to focus on what they eat before a practice or competition.

As members of the team, all runners have a food plan to help stay healthy throughout the season. Items such as fast food have to be kept to a minimum. A runner's diet consists of fruit and pastas. Loading on carbohydrates gives a runner energy. Buchholtz prefers his runners eat at Quizno's instead of McDonalds of Burger King.

Every home meet will take place on South Campus in Johnson Fieldhouse. It has just been repainted for the upcoming season.

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Improvement in leaps and bounds

By Wes Simonis
Sports Writer

If you think the uneven bars is a comparison of local drinking spots, then it's time to refresh your memory, and check out the Blue Devil gymnastics team.

With focus and dedication, these women not only stick landings, but their skill will amaze even those who are not familiar with the sport of gymnastics.

"It takes a good amount of focus to achieve our goals as a team," said Chelsea Becker. "Many girls on our team are highly motivated to improve, and we keep our goals in mind and therefore, make continual progress."

The progress for the University of Wisconsin-Stout gymnastics team has been substantial over recent events. The Blue Devils won the season opener against Winona State and took second at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Invitational.

The victory over Winona State was not just another win for the Blue Devils, it was a victory over the UW-Stout's former head coach Jim Richards and a first victory for new head coach Bryan Rottier.

Rhian Paulson is one of the Blue Devil's gymnasts who-shows great ability in multiple events.

Paulson recently took four first place finishes in a triangular with the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. She won vault, floor, uneven bars and all-around events.

"My goal is to qualify for nationals in the all-around and win," said Paulson.

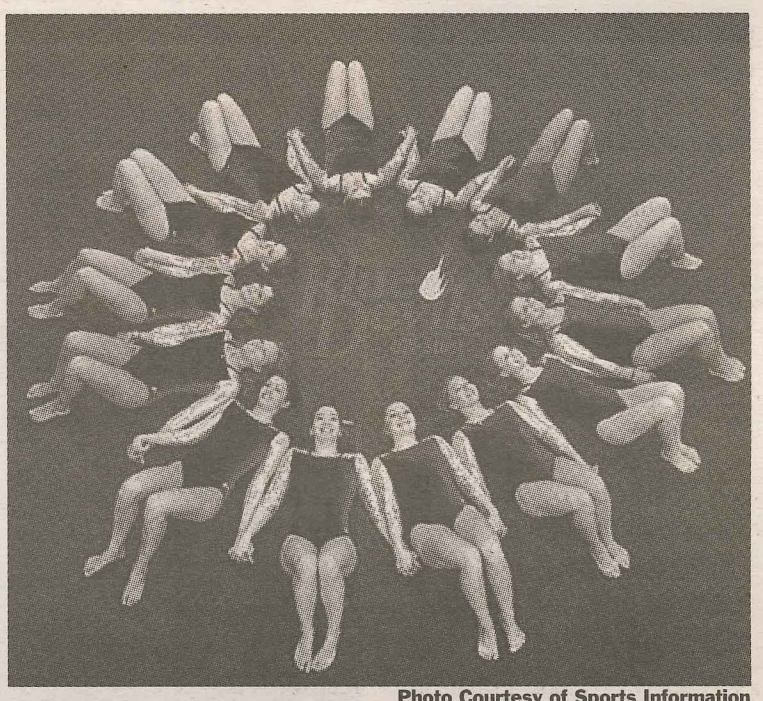

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information
The Blue Devil gymnastics team took second in a triangular with UW-Oshkosh and UW-Whitewater this past weekend.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

In gymnastics, taking first place in an event can be a very exciting experience.

When an athlete finishes the night with four first place finishes, it is what some would call total domination.

Rhian Paulson did just that this past weekend when the Blue Devils hosted the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater in a triangular at Johnson Fieldhouse.

Paulson took the top spot in the vault, floor exercise, uneven bars and all-around competition.

Her floor victory came up just short of her own school record. Her 9.725 score is the highest by any gymnast in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference this season.

Her efforts also earned her WIAC athlete of the week.

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Took first place in four different events at a triangular this past weekend.

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1	1	803 Wilson Av #4	$335	$335	inc	inc	Includes Utilities/Location	8
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1	1	803 Wilson Av #7	$455	$455	inc	inc	Close to campus, parking	8
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1	1	115 1/2 W. Main	$320	$320	$370	$370	Close to campus and downtown	O
2	1	113 W. zMain	$350	$175	$420	$210	Close to campus and downtown	H
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
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3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$700	$175	$830	$207	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$550	$138	$720	$180	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
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4	2	414 14th Av W. #8	$880	$225	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$800	$200	$1000	$250	Great House/W/D hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$800	$200	$950	$237	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H
4	1	1115 14th Ave	$600	$150	$750	$188	Gas heat, garage, lg.rooms,washer/dryer, A/C	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1100	$275	$1100	$275	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$900	$225	$1075	$269	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$500	$125	$720	$180	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$750	$150	$900	$180	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$900	$180	$1060	$212	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
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5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$800	$160	$910	$182	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Good loc./washer/dryer/ avail aug 23	4
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	N/A	N/A	W/D, right on campus, Special 9mo. lease	
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2+	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1200	$240	$1400	$234	Fabulous newer construction, WashDry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
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6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Men's Basketball
(13-9)

La Crosse defeated Stout 62-49 on Feb. 9

Next Game:
Feb. 19 hosting Platteville

Women's Basketball
(18-6)

The lady Blue Devils beat Superior 75-68 on Feb. 15

Next Game:
Feb. 19 hosting Platteville

Gymnastics

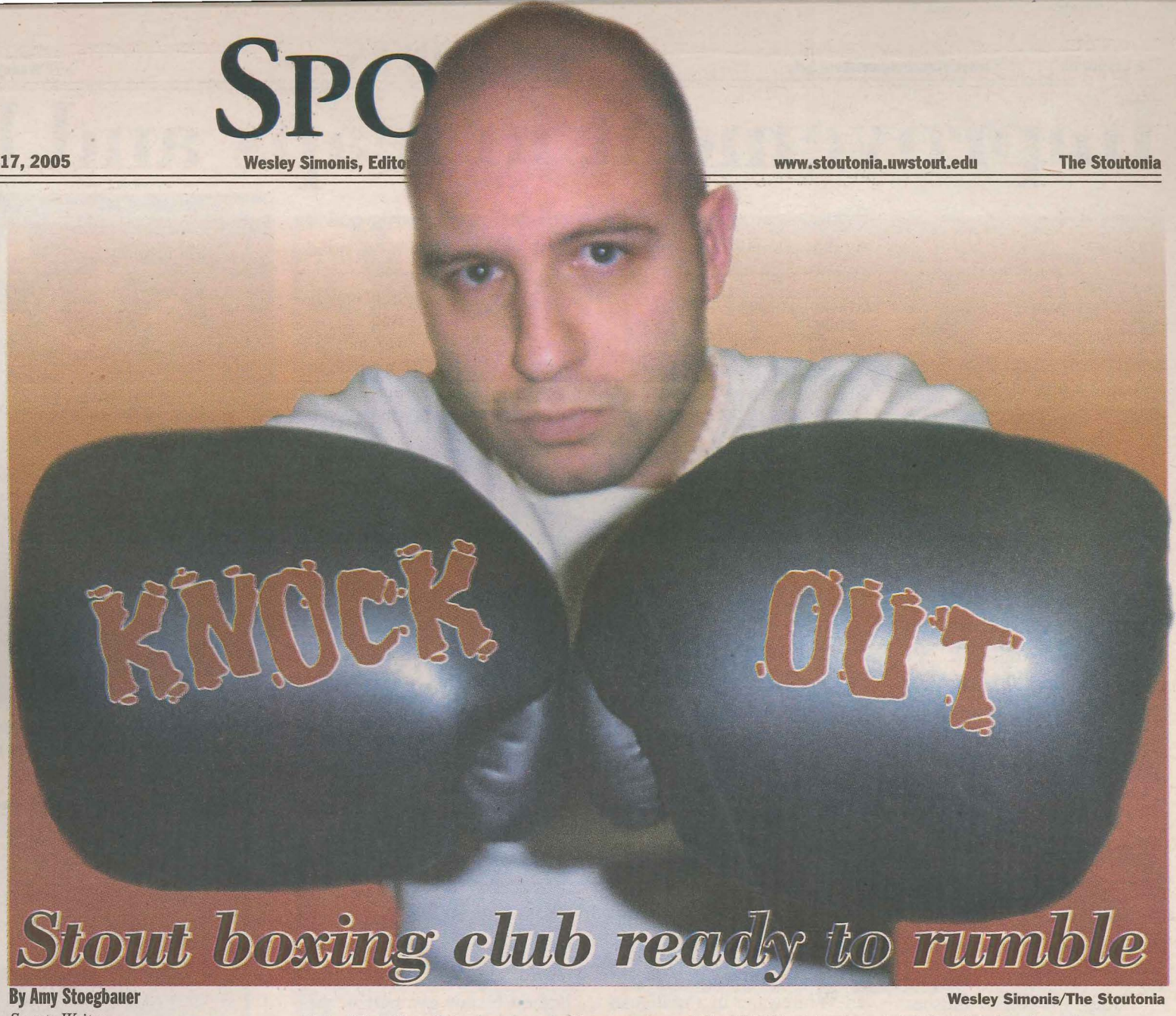
The gymnastics team took second in a triangular with Whitewater and Oshkosh.

Next Match:
Feb 18. at La Crosse

Hockey
(9-12-4)

Stevens Point defeated Stout 8-2

Next Match:
Feb. 18 at River Falls (NCHA playoff game)



Stout boxing club ready to rumble

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Wesley Simonis/The Stoutonia

Pete "The Muss" Forbes is an active member of the UW-Stout boxing club. The club has been in existance since 2001 and has devoted extra time in fund-raisers and chairty events.

If you are looking to get in shape for spring break or summer, the boxing club might be an option for you. It provides a total body workout four days a week without the pressure of learning how to fight.

The boxing club was formed in 2001 by Justin Teske, a seasoned boxer who wanted to share the sport with other students on campus. They practiced in the CKTO basement, have since grown and are recognized by the SSA. Practices are now in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

"Fearless" Justin Teske is currently fighting in the amateur circuit with hopes of going pro. He will be traveling to a match this weekend at Nekoosa High School. The team will be going to cheer him on and welcomes anyone to come and see what matches are like.

The team practices four times per week and generally starts with some upper body and abdominal workouts, followed by leg strengthening exercises. The club then splits up to work on cardio, focus mitts, defense, heavy bag or sparring.

"Practice sounds like a lot of work, but it is very rewarding," says Tyson Brown, president of the club. "We will train you as far as you're willing to go. Some people come just to get in shape."

Currently, there are about 15 committed members in the club with a dozen or more who come for occasional practices and workouts. Some people join the club in hopes of competing in a fight, and others join just to stay in shape.

"I like being able to incorporate some martial arts in my training with Pete Forbes because of his Muay Thai background," said Matt Bubb. "The club is a great way to stay in shape, learn self-defense and improve confidence in yourself."

The club is also proud to be co-ed. While boxing may seem like a sport dominated by males, the club also has female members and encourages both sexes, as well as any weight class, to get involved.

"Our club has been richer from the women's humor and wisdom," said Tyson Brown, boxing club president. "They often surprise the men with their stamina and strength."

The club has also recently recgonized a new advisor, Dr. Jean-Marie Dauplaise, who is currently helping the group get involved in the community.

This weekend, the boxing club will be assisting with a Bridge to Hope fund-raiser, which benefits battered women. The event will be at Applebees from 7-11 p.m. The club will be serving and bussing tables. In return, Applebees will donate a percentage of the proceeds to the shelter. The club will also be selling tickets to a 20s to 50s style dance at Dean & Sues to benefit the Bridge.

Practices are held on Mondays from 8:30-10:00 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. and Thursday from 5-7 p.m.

Dues are currently $10 per semester, but people are invited to try the club before deciding to join. For further information, please contact Tyson Brown at brownty@uwstout.edu.

Blue Devil hockey needs playoff win

By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

As the buzzer went off in the Dunn County Ice Arena Saturday, Feb. 12, it marked yet another loss for the Blue Devils. The Blue Devils regular season had its ups and downs as it came to a close with an overall record of 9-12-4.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has been a top team the past few years, but has fallen to a losing record. Looking at the statistics only 86-of-752 shots made it into the goal compared to the 98-of-490 shots of their opponents.

The opportunities were there, but the puck just didn't go in. Fortunately for the Blue Devils, there is still hope for this season. In the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) playoffs it doesn't matter if you're the best or the worst, anything can happen.

This could be the opportunity that the Blue Devils are looking for.

"We all had high expectations for ourselves," said senior Jake Hemmah. "Being here four years I thought that this was the best team I have been on, here at Stout, and I still think that. What's done is done, and now we have to focus on what's coming this weekend."

> *"We know that we can compete with anyone when we play our game."*

The Blue Devils will travel to the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Friday, Feb. 18 and Saturday, Feb. 19 for a best of three series in hopes of a playoff win.

"The great thing is that we have beaten nationally ranked top ten teams, so we know that we can compete with anyone when we play our game," said senior Kory Mortel. "River Falls is a well skating team, so we are going to have to put ourselves in a position to disrupt their momentum. We outshot them both games this season, so we are going to have to find a way to put the puck in the net."

Although the Falcons are 16-7-2 overall, an upset may be only a shot away.

"We are going to put everything that has happened behind us, walk into River Falls and let it all hang out, because playoff hockey is a whole new season, and there isn't anything to save it for," said Mortel.

In the previous two match ups, the Falcons maintained the upper hand over UW-Stout. In both matches the Blue Devils were handed a loss and only scored one goal in each game.

"This is a young team, and everything that has happened this year could have been expected," said Mortel. "Regardless, there is a ton of talent and potential, and as we have shown throughout parts of the season, when we want to beat somebody we can."

The Blue Devils will face the Falcons in the first round of the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association playoffs at 7 p.m.

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Lady Blue Devils clinch regular season WIAC title
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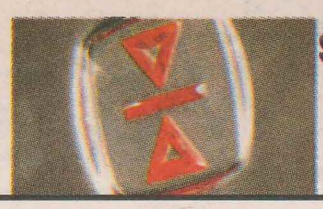

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UW-Stout's SAE wins regional baja

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) owns a couple of baja buggies, but not just for fun. These machines are entirely designed, fabricated, produced and raced by SAE members.

Last weekend, a regional competition was held at Michigan Technological University, with SAE competing against 11 other cars from eight other schools in Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin.

At the competition, UW-Stout's SAE won several events, further establishing their credentials in the regional and national SAE ratings.

In the endurance race, similar to a motorcross on a snow-covered track, Stout SAE completed 133 laps in three hours, with the next competitor only completing 115. Additionally impressive, they pulled this off after having a rear wheel fall off the car three minutes from the finish.

"The worst thing that can happen is the heartbreak of going to one of the events and having your car break down," said Jim Przybelski, a senior in engineering technology and secretary of SAE.

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UW-Stout's SAE took their baja car to first place against nine other schools in a competition at Michigan Technological University over the past weekend.

Master classes planned for parent's weekend

By Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

"Exploring our Mission" is the theme of family weekend this year, April 15-17. The university will be offering something new this year - classes for parents. "These classes will give parents a perspective of what students do everyday," said Steve Downs, chair of family weekend.

These classes, which are being called master classes, will be held on Saturday, April 16, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The classes will allow parents to experience first hand academic life at the University of Wisconsin-Stout and help parents to gain an appreciation of what students are getting from Stout.

"This is an unbelievably great idea," said Downs. "Anything that we can do to enhance the value of Stout to parents, so that they can know that Stout is worth it for their students, will be a very positive thing. It will also help the parents to get more involved in their student's education."

Several classes will be taught by UW-Stout professors. The master classes will be taught throughout the academic buildings in the labs. Parents, faculty and staff are all invited to attend these classes free of charge. More information about specific classes will be available after March 4.

Lucy Nicolai, family weekend advisor, would like to have at least one representative from each college on campus so parents can see many different aspects of UW-Stout.

Downs thinks that these classes will help the faculty venture out into other areas of the UW-Stout campus and be able to better relate to students. He also thinks that these classes will help the parents establish personal connections with their students' teachers.

Downs believes that this will be a good experience for the parents. This will show parents the quality of the education that their students are getting at UW-Stout. He hopes that parents will then share these experiences with other people.

According to the Stout Connections newsletter, "Exploring our Mission" gives you an opportunity to experience university academic life and campus activities. Visit campus labs, sit in on classes, dine with your family and enjoy the arts while you are here. The Family Weekend Committee hopes parents spend time with their student, attend the activities, and become part of the University family.

Downs would like this family weekend to be a benchmark year - that the focus will shift from just fun to include education.

Nicolai and Downs hope that in the future parents will be able to sit in on classes on the first day of family weekend. This will allow parents to see what students do everyday.

Other family weekend activities includes; Relay for Life, Pippin: A Musical; Prometheus Creative Arts Journal opening; UW-Stout band and choral concerts; Dirt Cheap Auction; Fashion without Fabric; Open Air Auto Show and Swap Meet; and a family weekend buffet. University recreation is also having different events.

If you would like more information about the activities over family weekend visit www.uwstout.edu/housing/irha/familyweekend. If you would like to be involved with planning family weekend, the committee meets Wednesday afternoons at 4 p.m. in the Sunken Lounge in Merle Price Commons.

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By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Citations for week of Feb. 15-22
Underage Drinking 1st Offense: 13 of which 11 were obtained from 1 dorm room. Underage Drinking 2nd Offense: 1. Underage Drinking 3rd Offense: 1

Disappearing flasher
On Feb. 15, an officer reported to the Johnson Fieldhouse to investigate suspicious activity. An employee informed the officer that a male in his 40's told him of an older man in the locker room "showing off his stuff." The older man reportedly left to go to the pool with who was thought to be his wife. According to the complaintant, the older man came back five minutes later and was exposing himself to little kids in the locker room. At this time, a supervisor made a check of the locker room, but neither an older man nor kids were found. The reporting officers also made a check of the entire building, but the complaintant, older man and kids were not found.

Ape shall never kill ape
On Feb. 18, an officer in lot 34 reported criminal damage to a vehicle. The right rear taillight had been smashed and the trunk brake light was damaged. The estimated damage is $350. The student could not think of anyone who would do the vandalism.

Anarchy Burger
On Feb. 18, in lot 9, a student filed a complaint of another case of criminal damage to a vehicle. The windshield of the car was smashed in and the damage was estimated at $350 - $500. The student could not think of anyone who would do the vandalism.

Easy there hot stuff
Police reported to a disturbance at JTC on Feb. 20. Two males and a female entered the building and were succeeded by another group of three males. The female was kicking snow off her shoes when a piece flipped up and land on the arm of a male in the other group and he assumed that he had been spit on. A loud argument ensued with threats and posturing, but no physical contact was made. It was reasoned that, "It was just a bunch of dumb guys acting tough."

News for the College attention span

In Pope John Paul II's new book, "Memory and Identity," he has said that homosexual marriages are part of the "ideology of evil." He also makes comparisons of abortion to the Holocaust, calling them both "legal extermination."

The Governor Dummer Academy of Newbury, Mass. has decided to change its name after more than two centuries of being the pit of jokes. It will probably be renamed the "Governor's Academy."

Performance artist, Rita Duffy, plans to pull an iceberg to Belfast, Ireland, the city that built the Titanic. She says it is a "deeply serious project."

An Alaskan man had his penis surgically reattached after an angry girlfriend cut it off and flushed it down a toilet. The woman was charged with assault and domestic violence.

Paris Hilton, the recent victim of cell phone hacking, had her personal information published online along with the contact information of friends. The star of the "Simple Life" said, "I don't know why this stuff always happens to me."

UW-Eau Claire is getting a Jeff & Jim's Pizza in March. Finally, they too can have the best pizza in the world.

Curt Trnka finished 9th in the recent Texas Hold 'Em Poker tournament. His two 9s didn't cut it.

Friends and relatives of Hunter S. Thompson, who recently committed suicide, want to blast his ashes out of a cannon, exactly as he had wished for.

InCom announced that it would end a pilot program at a northern California school requiring students to wear badges with RFID tags to track their movements. As you can imagine, the ACLU had an absolute field day and assisted students and parents in ending the program.

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Racing over the snowy track, drivers often get cold and tired, usually switching with another driver every half hour.

"You hurt when you get out of the car," said Dorn. "You get cold."

In past years they had similar difficulties, but did not finish as well.

In another event, the long jump, the car was launched from an eight-foot tall jump for a distance of just under 30 feet. This jump was also better than all other competitors.

"You feel like you got pretty roughed up for a few days," said Przybelski.

UW-Stout's SAE raced their 2003 chassis, also known as their "orange car" this past weekend. The other "silver car" placed first last year for production feasibility in an international competition against 90 other schools.

SAE enjoys the success, but it does not come easily. Each car is created by members, taking countless hours to fabricate parts and create a working car, competing against much larger schools with many more members.

"Funding is the hardest part to stay competitive," said Troy Dorn, a senior in mechanical design and co-president of SAE.

This weekend's competition cost over $1,000 to attend which was funded by the seven members that attended. SAE receives SSA funding, but this competition was not within their budget for this year.

SAE is rated as 18th in the nation among the 90 schools and 140 cars that make up the international competitions of SAE.

"Stout's budget is at a much lower level, and if we had better funding we could be in the top 10," said Dorn

Each car costs almost $7,000 to create, not including maintenance and parts costs, and each competition requires significant investment in travel and registration for the members attending.

Courtesy of UW-Stout SAE

Members of SAE pose with the "silver car" which has taken first in a nationwide competition of "production feasibility."

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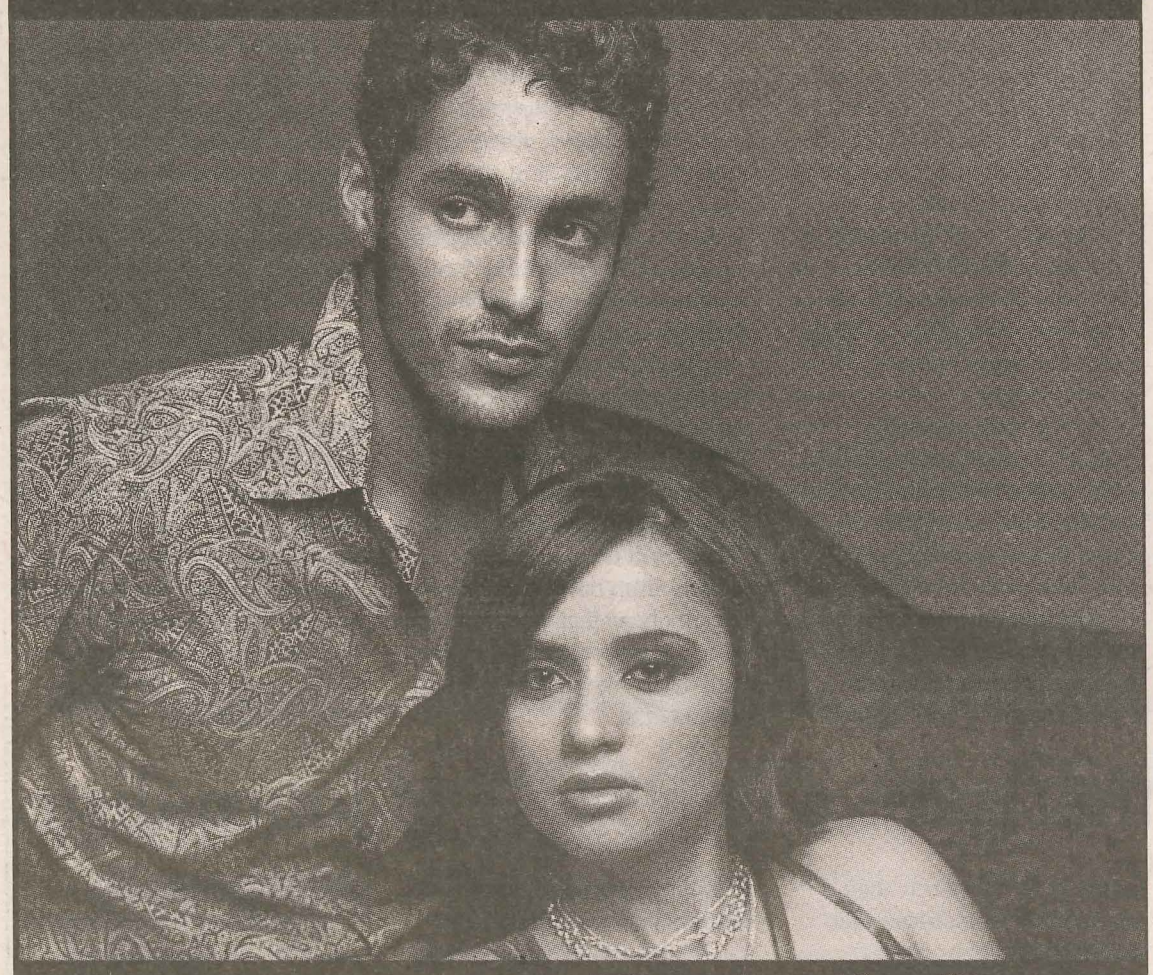

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Family weekend holding on

Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Family Weekend has been held in the spring for quite a while now. Yes, the same wonderful Menomonie spring that offers stunning visuals like melting snow piles and pseudo good weather.

There is talk of moving the event to the fall when the weather is going to be equally iffy. In Wisconsin, it sometimes snows in the fall. Then again, in Wisconsin, it's hard to predict when the weather is going to be good.

Maybe the date of Family Weekend isn't what people should be talking about. Other issues like the amount of interest in such an event as Family Weekend, and the amount of time one must put into Family Weekend might be better issues.

Maybe Family Day or Family Couple of Hours would be better ideas.

No one is saying that spending time with the family isn't an important part of the college experience, but rather that spending time with one's family isn't something that the university should have to organize for students.

Family Weekend is almost like UW-Stout's very own forced holiday.

"Hey Mark. What are you doing this weekend?"

"Oh, my folks are coming up for the Family Weekend/Holiday."

"Oh, man. I'm sorry to hear that."

Not everyone on campus wants to do away with Family Weekend.

Some out of state students, who pay truck loads of money to learn here, are happy to have an event which brings their families to campus each year.

As far as parents go, they seem to go either way. *Stoutonia* staff parents were either all about the event, or could care less.

So, in the end maybe Family Weekend is exactly what it should be. It's a slice of college life.

Either way you view Family Weekend, it's always a plus to see entire families drinking together.

Administration is another word for pain in the you know what

Every once in a while you just have to let the 'powers that be' have both barrels of truth and common sense

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

This is the second in a series of articles

Mouthful number two is ready and waiting. It drips and oozes with steak sauce meant to cover its bad taste. Impaled on my large Outback Steakhouse-styled fork it waits for those first crushing bites that lead to eventual digestion. "Here comes the administration," I say to my stomach and it winces, waiting for the eventual indigestion.

For a school, the administration are its trendsetters, leaders and policy makers. We are supposed to trust them with our education, safety and finances. Do we trust them, our administration? Do they deserve our trust?

Well, every semester we shovel ourselves into holes deep enough that they make the Grand Canyon jealous, just to pay for school. We fry ourselves, body and soul, to get our degrees. We, the students- the people, are responsible for the employ of hundreds of people in the surrounding area. Do we get our just desserts?

I do not believe so and I hold Chancellor Sorenson and his cohorts, inpart, responsible. Not entirely, not completely, the students are just as much a part of this dysfunctional marriage. As I stated last week, the University of Wisconsin-Stout started out as a technical college and in many ways we still are. This is because we, the students, give up our money to the taskmasters without a fuss, with all the chastity of a cat in heat. We ask for nothing special in return and that is what we get.

Do you know what a chancellor does? Do you? From every little source of information that I have been able to gather he is a fund collector. He goes from place to place with the purpose of begging, pleading and dealing to get money. In this, Chancellor Sorenson is a great success. I will applaud him for this but it does not excuse our leader from faults that occur under his charge.

Take, for instance, our new policy on recruitment. As I understand it, nearly any and all who wish to worship the great, glowing "S" are welcome here regardless of the overflow for a program. "Make it work!" they scream from their blue-clad ivory tower.

I still hear whispers from time to time, whispers of a nameless fear. Not quite nameless I guess, it has a name: funding. For every major that gets ridiculously overflowed "assets will be reassigned" to them from other majors in the silly hope that throwing money at a problem will make it all better like mother's band-aid and kiss.

Schools don't work like this. Money doesn't solve all of their problems in the realm of the real. This will not solve the problem of overcrowded classrooms and over worked instructors. This doesn't even address what will happen to the fields that this cash will be pulled from. What of them? Why should they suffer? Why is this even happening?

No one on this campus makes more than the Chancellor and his cracked round table of advisors and helpers. Do they deserve it? Our faculty and staff perform the majority of the actual work at UW-Stout so where is their say? I'll look into this next week, until then my faithful readers, take care.

Taking out the monster that gave a new style of journalism

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

Well you've gone and done it! It would have to take a beast like you to take out the monster inside Dr. Hunter Stockton Thompson's head.

Was that it? Was 67 years enough? What, you couldn't contend with your own mind any longer than February 20, 2005? Well fair enough. After all, what more could you have possibly done?

I mean, you've pioneered a very strange and unique new style of journalism, centered around totally obliterating objectivity.

Hell, you said it yourself back in March of '01: Gonzo journalism is a style of reporting based on William Faulkner's idea that the best fiction is far more true than any kind of journalism - and the best journalists have always known this. Which is not to say that fiction is necessarily 'more true' than journalism - or vice versa - but that both 'fiction' and 'journalism' are artificial categories; and that both forms, at their best, are only two different means to the same end.

There is no clearer illustration of that than your works.

There was 1972 when you zipped across the country, coast to coast, in pursuit of good election bets and drug-addled candidates and the chance of the fall of Nixon.

This isn't to forget that weird Vegas trip, a tried and true ride through pure gonzo. What started as a simple trip to cover a race, or whatever it was you really went out there to do, turned totally sideways.

Yes, it's moments like these we cannot forget. Your own style of life and wit has immortalized you in counterculture thanks to a brilliant performance by Colonel Johnny Depp back in '98.

Yet on that note you never cared for the term 'Gonzo' anyway, did you? But it is of no matter. You have created something in this world that cannot be replaced, for whatever it's worth.

I can't imagine the thoughts running through the minds of your survivors. What could you think though, when you come home to find out that your father, husband, legendary Hunter S. Thompson, fed a bullet into his own brain.

The start of a mini-series: My new workout plan

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Many people don't know this about me from seeing me from the neck up in the newspaper every week, but I'm a pretty trim guy. Some might say skinny, or scrawny, but those are just qualifiers of the same body type.

In so many words, I'm not a big guy. I've never been a big guy. Whether you're talking overall girth or just muscularly speaking; I've always been on the low end of the totem pole. Which explains why many of my closest friends and relatives were shocked when I took a course for my last gym credit that forced me to work out five days a week.

I've never worked out a day in my life, and I mean NEVER. I've never even played any team sports in school.

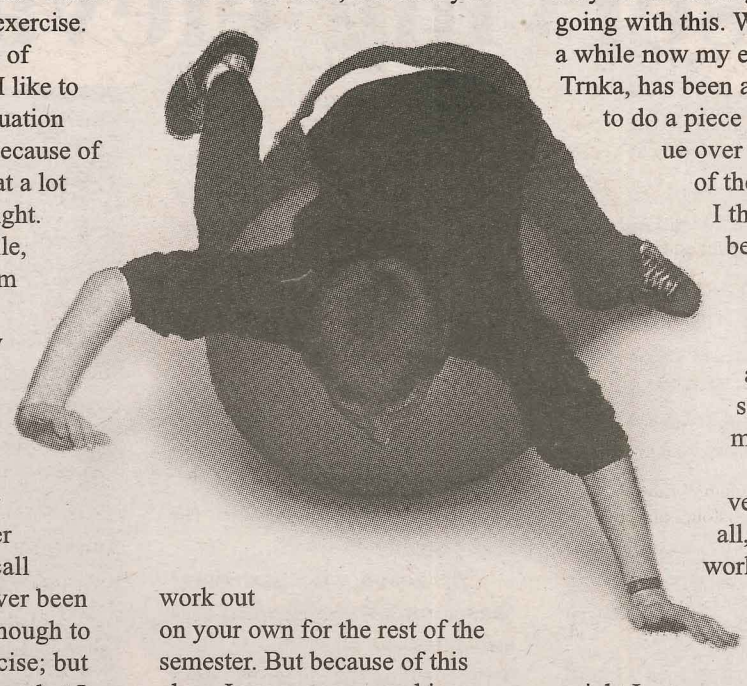
Being mostly skin and bones as I am, and not possessing the coordination to play, well, any type of sport with skill, has made sure that I didn't even get that kind of exercise.

Rebecca Oosterhouse/*Stoutonia*

I'm also the type of person who has what I like to call "weight non-fluctuation disorder." Basically, because of my metabolism, if I eat a lot I don't really gain weight. If I don't eat for a while, I don't lose weight. I'm solid as a rock.

Not to say that I don't have any body fat, I'm by no means buff, or cut or whatever you prefer to call it. I've just never been out of shape enough to NEED to exercise; but back to the class that I signed up for.

This lifestyle-changing course is self-paced personal fitness. You may have heard of it, you may even be in my class. I probably don't know if you are or not because the class meets once, and then you work out on your own for the rest of the semester. But because of this class, I am now engaged in a workout routine.



I shudder every time I say that: "workout routine." Five days a week, every week, for the rest of the semester I'll be at the gym now, pumping iron, if you will.

Some of you reading may be wondering where I'm going with this. Well, for quite a while now my editor, Curt Trnka, has been asking me to do a piece I can continue over several issues of the paper. So I thought what better way to do it than to chronicle my own pathetic attempt at self-betterment.

I'm not very strong at all, having never worked out before, so just telling you how much weight I put on the machines should be enough to inspire a chuckle or two.

I'll also probably relate any other amusing stories I can think of that happen while I'm at the gym. Just think of this as the set-up to a mini-series, or something. See you in the gym.

American hypocrisy: big words, bad actions

Steve Tietz
Columnist

I read the USA Today frequently, not so much because I'm interested in the news, but my interest seems to lie somewhere within the hypocrisy of our nation's acts.

Our president was quoted as labeling North Korea, Iraq and Iran as "axis of evil." Isn't evil a relative term? Who are we to say what is right from wrong and what is good and what is evil?

What was it when we fought for our independence from a tyrant nation, which is now our closest ally? What was it when we finally realized our own wrongs and abolished slavery? Was WWII a defining moment? Was our fight in Vietnam a justifiable act? Was it justified when we invaded Iraq for the second time?

We have embassies across the globe, we have allies and we have enemies, we have laws that define acceptable behavior from unacceptable behavior, and yet we have no law and no reasoning to define our actions of policing the world.

Our nation's past is riddled with moments where we have invaded countries, used trade embargos and applied political pressures on opposing nations in order to force them to fit our mold of acceptability. To use the war in Iraq as an example. We invaded Iraq to eliminate a threat, eliminate a tyrant leader who often practiced genocide and possibly eliminate a terrorist network.

All of these are excellent justifications for our invasion, but why are we still there? Our government tells us that we're there to aid in implementing a government that will not be corrupt and that will have the interest of its people at its heart. This objective seems to have been clearly accomplished, they have performed elections, they have leaders in place (either temporarily appointed or elected), and we have their former leader in captivity.

Our president is merely using his father's unfinished business as a means to define our government, our laws, our way of life and our beliefs. Our government has recreated colonization.

Also, he has clearly defined his targets of "evil," but maybe he should rethink his list and add to it the countries of the far east and Africa where there are no labor laws, where men, women and children die from starvation and overcrowding, and where children half our ages make the clothes we wear and the electronics we cherish.

Of course, that would be bad business for corporate America and I don't think our $11 trillion dollar economy could survive if we implemented a just government. Maybe we should add to that list the nations of Central America, Mexico and Colombia because they have provided our country with illegal drugs ever since we deemed it unacceptable.

This might be a worthy cause considering the D.E.A. has an estimated budget of over $2.1 billion dollars for 2005 (as sited on their website); much of which seems to be wasted considering the "drug problem" within the U.S. has only gotten worse.

It's ironic the very things we deem to be unacceptable, such as marijuana use, child labor, women's rights and abortion within our country seem to work quite well in other countries.

To end this rant which will probably be misconstrued as a plight to legalize marijuana, even though such legalizing could yield huge tax profits, I must say now is the time to pull up the stakes and head for home.

Bring our men and women of the armed services home to their families, let North Korea have their nuclear weapons, let the terrorists unite on a front and then let us shake their hands as brothers and settle the feud. Let the people of a nation decide their own rights and wrongs while adhering to the basic principles of mankind because this world cannot survive without "axis of evil."

We live in a world of difference and we should recognize what works here may never work in the Middle East, the Far East, Africa, South America or anywhere else for that matter. We share a common bond of brotherhood in this world of ours, but peace and freedom can be achieved through recognizing the need for separation and compromise of needs and beliefs.

Let us learn from each other's mistakes because we haven't got the time to make them all ourselves.

A Letter to Heather Ann Johnson

Dear Heather,

It's coming up on a month since you've been gone, and I find myself still waiting for your phone calls.

Remember the "daily calls?" We'd talk about nothing most of the time, but it's funny how nothing turns into something when you're not there anymore.

I want people to know how important you were. How wonderful you were and how much you meant to all of us.

You were the glue that held us all together. You brought us all friendships that will truly be forever.

You made Stout home for all of us, and even though many people didn't get a chance to see you the way we did, they will know because of our love for you.

Never take your friends for granted. Heather was the most amazing person because no matter what she was doing or where she was she'd always answer her phone or call you back as soon as she could.

It is great comfort to know someone is there for you like that. If you have someone like that, tell them thank you because they truly are a gift.

In remembrance of Heather Ann Johnson, take a moment today to put your friends and family first and in that way a little bit of Heather will live on.

She will always be our angel painting the sky. We love you.

Always,
Your Best Friends

Born: October 3, 1983

Died: January 18, 2005

This was a special submission to the paper

Reserving elevators for disabled

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

The Harvey Hall elevator is quite a hot spot during that magic time: five or ten minutes before classes.

A swarm of students, without crutches or motorized carts, yearn to cram inside the elevator as though it would lift them straight to heaven.

Some of them are just wasting their time as the doors open to reveal a student in a wheelchair, a janitor with a cleaning cart, or another crowd of students on their way up.

"Because of my heart and blood pressure I can't take the stairs," said one student. To avoid the fatigue of taking the stairs, she is willing to wait for the elevator to come back down.

As she waits, the elevator stops on every floor all the way up and down. The elevator descends to the first floor, the doors open, and a faculty member holding a small stack of papers steps out.

"I only take the elevator if it opens right when I get there," said one student who wandered seamlessly from outside the building and through the hallway onto the elevator. Little did he notice, the elevator is headed for the basement floor.

Students who use motorized assistance must enter Harvey Hall through the basement. There is no means besides the elevator for them to get to class.

"Harvey Hall is by far the worst for elevator access [for students with disabilities]," said Julia Derks, a senior in business.

"[When the elevator is full] I ask for some of the students to get off, and they act like they don't understand me," said Corbett Laubignat, a student in the vocational rehabilitation master's program, who uses a motorized cart for transportation.

"[Students with disabilities] appear unprofessional when they arrive late to class due to lazy people [riding the elevator]," said Laubignat. "It's a serious issue."

According to Robert Peters, the ADA committee chair, Disability Services can arrange accommodations when students with disabilities have problems getting to their classes.

"If it gets to be too much of a problem, Disability Services might have the whole class moved to the first floor," said Peters.

John Murphy, the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, sent out an e-mail to faculty in Harvey Hall asking them to remind able-bodied students to take the stairs.

"Teachers are authority figures," said Amber Gilberg, a junior in graphic design, who says that instructors have the power to educate the students about this accessibility issue.

Curtis Trnka/*Stoutonia*

For students with disabilites, the elevator isn't just an alternative to the stairs; it is a necessity for getting to classes that aren't located on ground floor. Able-bodied students should take the stairs.

Gilbert is one of several students with disabilities who must give herself up to 20 minutes to get to class.

"This is not [students with disabilities] saying 'poor me,'" said Ross Keveles, a senior in vocational rehabilitation. "[Not being able to get to class] is a barrier to academics. [Access to education] is what we pay the big bucks for."

It's okay to take the elevator sometimes, but not when those who are unable to take the stairs are waiting.

"I would take the stairs if I could, so that I could be on time for class every day," said Laubignat.

There are more benefits in taking the stairs than taking the elevator. For one, it is the healthier way to get to class.

"It's much quicker to take the stairs," said Nathan Kleist, a senior in technical communication.

Next time you want to step onto the elevator in Harvey Hall, check the lighted arrows above the elevator doors. If the elevator is going to the basement, you can save some time and help students with disabilities by taking the stairs.

Cozy bookstore offers more than what's between the pages

Main Street's Bookends combines the variety of corporate bookstores with the comfortable atmosphere of home

By Marta Peters
Student Life Writer

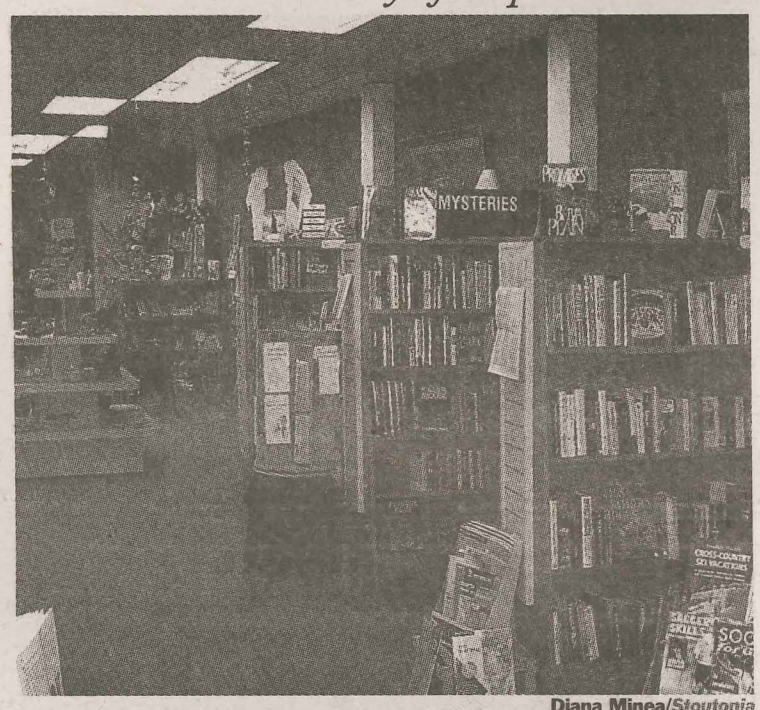
It's a gem in the middle of Menomonie, Wis. A small store, nestled in a small town, and owned by a lady named Harriett Christy. Describing it sounds like something from a book, and indeed that idea is closer than one may realize.

Bookends may not receive all the hype that large companies do, but after stepping inside, it is clear to see that the atmosphere and hospitality far surpasses that of its corporate competitors.

Christy, who used to teach at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, has owned the Main Street store for almost two years and enjoys every minute of it. Before owning and operating Bookends, she had another bookstore in Ashland, Wis., but decided to transfer her business to Menomonie after her family moved from the Ashland area.

Though the location has changed, Christy's passion for books and her customers has not. Christy's personality greets customers after stepping inside, and it is obvious that Christy cares about her patrons.

"One of the best parts about owning a bookstore is helping to match a book to the reader," said Christy. "People will come in here and not know exactly what they want, but it's nice to see them come in and go out with a book that they will enjoy reading."



Diana Minea/*Stoutonia*

Harriet Christy, owner of Bookends, brings an inviting atmosphere to her store. She is always willing to order books that aren't in stock.

Anyone, old or young, that is looking to come in and just sit down and read for a little while is welcome to do so. Comfortable couches and inviting chairs entice customers to enjoy the quiet company of a good read. Anyone with young kids can come in and browse through the shelves as children will surely be captivated by the section in the store that has toys and books set aside just for them.

The wide variety of books that are available right off the shelves range from children's picture books to adult fiction and non-fiction to used books sold at a reduced price. In addition to that, Christy always keeps up to date on the books that are popular at the current time and what is being published.

If someone doesn't see the book that they are looking for, she will order it in without hesitance. Looking for a book that is out of print? Christy has the ability to order from anywhere and will certainly get the book that is desired.

"Because we're an independent bookstore, we can order anything you want," said Christy. "Barnes and Noble or Borders get their books sent to them and that is what they have to sell: and that's the big difference between those bookstores and this one."

Professors at the University of Wisconsin-Stout are beginning to realize what a luxury that is in a college town that often requires specific books to be read by its students. Many English classes are sending UW-Stout students to the bookstore to buy novels that aren't available at the campus bookstore.

Both Amanda Boutin and Jack Statz were in Bookends this week for that very reason.

"It's a good place [to have in Menomonie], because it's better than driving 20 miles to Eau Claire," said Statz, a freshman in applied science/pre-med.

Boutin, a freshman early childhood major, commented on the fact that the prices of books tend to be cheaper than those at the campus bookstore.

Other students have discovered the enjoyment and convenience of Bookends, too.

"Even though it's an independent store, I really liked it because it has such a good selection of books," said Heather Dudley, a junior dietetics major. "Plus it's so close to campus so it's nice to walk such a short distance and look around to look around for a bit."

As well as books, Christy's store sells creative and educational toys for children. She is also excited about her section of ethnic merchandise One of her newest cultural features includes CDs that contain music from France, Africa, Cuba and many other countries.

"We also have inexpensive gifts that are made in third world countries, which can be very unusual to find sometimes," stated Christy.

No doubt this place isn't just another store in town. It encompasses an atmosphere that will make people want to come back time after time.

Opportunity to network

STC conference brings professionals to Stout

By Diana Minea
Student Life Editor

For some students, the transition between college and career seems more like a chasm they need to jump alone. Joining organizations and doing internships are a couple of ways to overcome the challenge; and for students in the technical communication major, this weekend brings yet another opportunity.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout chapter of the Society for Technical Communication (STC) is holding a conference from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Feb. 26 in the upper part of the Memorial Student Center, called Technical Communication: Stepping Out Into the World. It will feature three sets of concurrent sessions dedicated to informing students about technical communication.

"This conference is about education and preparation for life after Stout," said Laurel Verhagen, a senior in technical communication, and the secretary for STC.

Sessions that will be held vary from getting a job to handling the first few years of employment. These sessions will be run by speakers from around the Midwest who have volunteered their expertise.

The event will begin with a welcome greeting and from there, individuals can decide which sessions to attend during each of the three time slots. There will be two different speakers per time slot. Between the sessions, attendees are able to socialize among the professionals, giving them networking opportunities. There will also be a continental breakfast.

"We expect [people] to leave with their network system expanded and with knowledge about moving into the major and the profession, based on the presentations of experts," said Dr. Daniel Riordan, a professor in technical communication and the STC advisor.

Ballroom B will be open throughout the conference specifically for networking.

Amanda Herr, a technical communication major who graduated in May 2004 will be returning to UW-Stout to discuss how her first year of work in the professional world has been. This will give students an idea of what they can expect.

For people not majoring in technical communication, this event can be worthwhile also. Don Cunningham, a graduate student from Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago, will hold a session about writing effective cover letters.

Events like this one don't often happen in the region for technical communicators, especially since the major is fairly new to UW-Stout, so many people are looking forward to it.

"Students are coming from across Wisconsin and Minnesota," said Verhagen. "Everyone has been very positive and really excited about this opportunity."

Those who planned the event stress the unique nature of the conference.

"There are professional events Tech Comm students can attend, but they don't focus on our needs as students" said Verhagen. "This is an event created by students and for students. It's really unique."

This conference is free although a good will donation is appreciated, and there is no formal registration, so those interested should just arrive.

There will also be a free babysitting service offered for those who need it.

"We're expecting about 100 people but hope for more," said Verhagen. "We're hoping Stout students take advantage of this."

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Soups to soothe the soul

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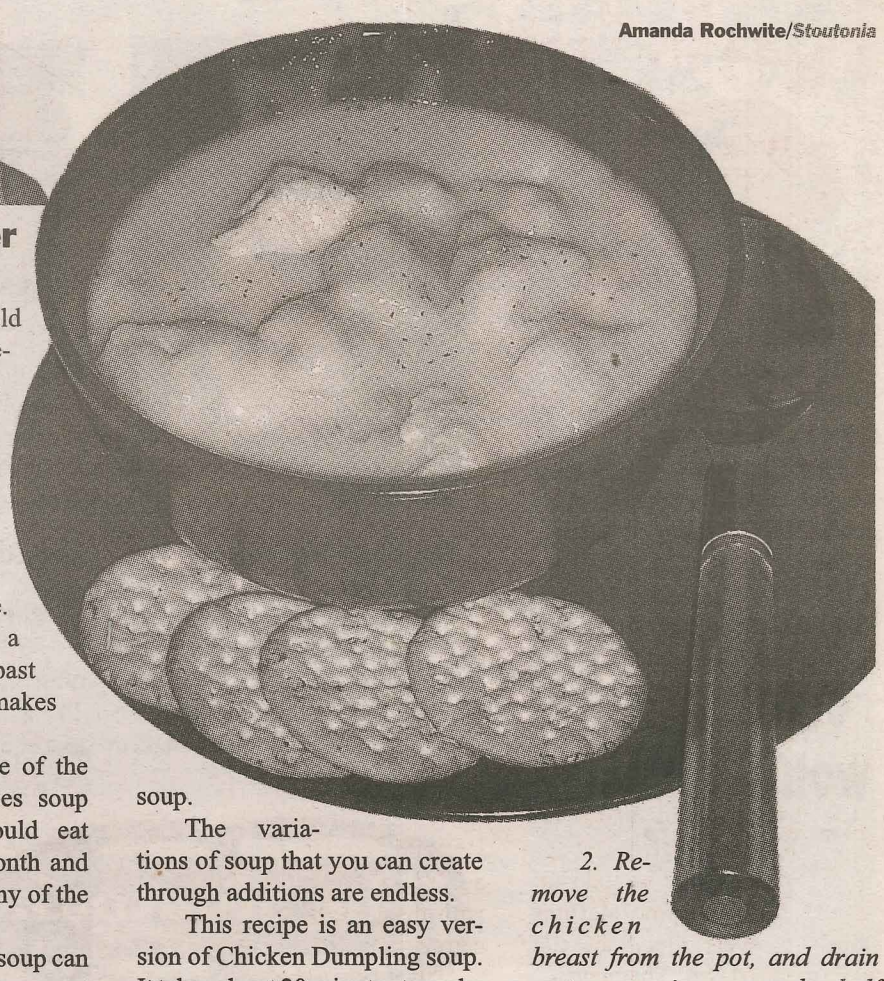

According to an old Spanish saying, "Between soup and love, the first is better."

Soup is a classic dish that has been around for ages. There are endless lines of soups, brands and varieties at the grocery store. Soups are obviously a popular food from the past and today. So what makes soup so legendary?

It could be because of the vast variety and choices soup provides. Someone could eat soup everyday for a month and still have not repeated any of the varieties.

It could be because soup can be made just the way you want it-without any onions, with extra cheese or with triple the mushrooms. Soup is so versatile; the combinations are endless. Or maybe soup is so popular because of its soothing aromas, its comforting texture, its smooth flavors or its homey feelings.

After a cold day of trudging through the snow, soup can be just what is needed. When your nose is plugged up and you can't stop coughing, soup is just the medicine your body needs. Or if you're just in the mood for a light lunch, soup can provide just the amount of sustenance your stomach wants.

In the grocery stores, there are so many ready-made soups; some might consider making soups from 'scratch' to be silly or old-fashioned, but the flavor from a can just cannot compare to homemade soups.

On the other hand, pre-made soups are very easy and quick. To add your own touch or flavor to canned soup, try adding a couple of your own ingredients. Add corn to clam chowder, zucchini to tomato soup or French fried onions to chicken noodle soup.

The variations of soup that you can create through additions are endless.

This recipe is an easy version of Chicken Dumpling soup. It takes about 20 minutes to make and is well worth the time.

"My favorite soup is chicken dumpling, the kind my grandpa makes with homemade dumplings," said Becky Murphy, a junior in hotel, restaurant and tourism management.

Although this soup is not made with homemade dumplings, it is very close to that homemade taste.

All you need to make this and the other recipes is a stovetop, large pot, cutting board, wooden spoon and a sharp knife, all which can be found in the residence halls. At less than $2.00 a serving, this recipe fits any college student's budget.

Chicken Dumpling Soup
(Yield: 2-3 servings)
1 boneless, skinless chicken breast, thawed
1 (10.75 oz) can condensed cream of chicken soup
1 (6 oz.) package refrigerated biscuit dough
Salt and pepper

1. In a large pot over high heat, boil the chicken in at least 2 cups of water for 10-15 minutes or until it is no longer pink.

2. Remove the chicken breast from the pot, and drain water reserving one and a half cups of water still in the pot.

3. Chop the chicken breast into bite-sized pieces and add back to the pot. Add the cream of chicken soup.

4. Reduce heat to medium. Season with salt and pepper.

5. Pull the biscuit dough into bite-sized pieces and add to the pot. Simmer over medium heat for 7-10 minutes or until the dough is cooked.

6. Add crackers and enjoy.

Chili is also another cold day favorite due to its versatility, and making this dish is not as hard as it looks.

"Making this chili is a lot easier than I thought it would be," said Brian Foiles, a senior in industrial design.

Although there are quite a few ingredients to this recipe, the more ingredients added, the more flavorful your chili will be. The chili powder is a key ingredient to making chili spicy, so use at your discretion. If you like, modify this recipe to just the way you want it.

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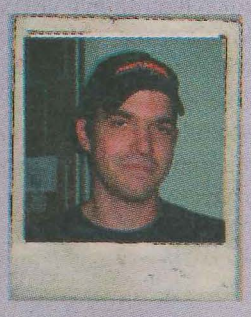

"Richard Gere because I hate him."

Ryan Swant
Construction
Junior

"Mike Tyson because biting is allowed."

Izzi Buikos
Studio Art
Freshman

"Rosie O'Donnell; her center of gravity and reach would test my ability to apply the rope-a-dope technique."

Erich Boldt
Art Education
Senior

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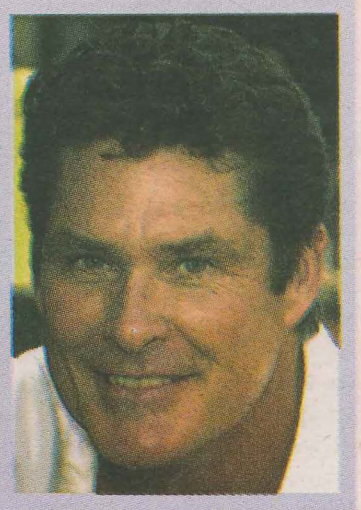

David Hasselhoff
Actor
Knight Rider, Baywatch

Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us see it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.

Recipe / *Soups*

from Page 7

Basic Chili

(Yield: 2-3 servings)
1 Tablespoon vegetable oil
1 green pepper, chopped
1 onion, chopped
Half pound ground beef
1 can red kidney beans
1 (15 oz) can tomato paste
1 (8 oz) can crushed tomatoes
1 (6 oz) can mushrooms
2 teaspoons garlic salt
1 Tablespoon chili powder, or to taste

1. In a large saucepan, heat oil, green pepper, chopped onion and ground beef. Stir and cook until meat is crumbly and brown. Drain off grease.

2. Add the kidney beans, tomato paste, mushrooms, tomatoes, garlic salt and chili powder. Stir well. When chili begins to boil, reduce heat to low. Cover pan and cook for at least half an hour to let the flavors mix. Stir occasionally.

3. Remove chili and eat.

**When finished, top with a dollop of sour cream, a handful of cheddar cheese or a few corn chips to add a little extra.*

Gumbo is another delicious soup. It has a combination of flavors, and the meat and vegetables make this a hearty soup. This chicken gumbo recipe only takes about 25 minutes to make and is a great way to provide yourself with enough energy to finish the day.

Chicken Gumbo

(Yield: 2-3 servings)
1 Tablespoon vegetable oil
1/2 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast, thawed and cut into 1-inch pieces
1/3 pound smoked sausage, cut into 1/2 inch slices
8 oz. frozen vegetables
7 oz stewed tomatoes
1 cup water

1. In large saucepan heat oil over high heat. Add chicken and sausage and cook until browned stirring continuously.

2. Add vegetables, tomatoes and water. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium and cook for about five minutes.

3. Add salt and pepper to taste. Enjoy!

Tonight, try to warm up the long, cold days of winter with these hearty delicious cold-weather recipes!

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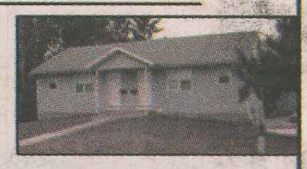

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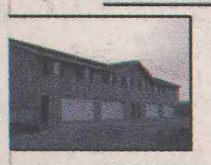

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No more fear and loathing

Hunter Thompson, legendary writer and creator of Gonzo journalism, commits suicide

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

Doctor Gonzo is dead. He's dead, kaput, an ex-parrot. Hunter S. Thompson was found dead from an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound to his head on Sunday, Feb. 20, by his son, Juan Thompson.

Born on July 18, 1937, Thompson was 67 years old. He left behind a wife and son.

If you don't know who he was, go read "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" or "The Rum Diaries" or any one of a number of articles he penned for Rolling Stone.

He was responsible for "New Journalism" or as he called it, "Gonzo Journalism" the idea that the journalist and his point of view are as integral to a story as the story itself.

Thompson revolutionized journalism with his "Gonzo Journalism." He is also known for his infamous expense accounts.

This is no way to write about a force of nature like Thompson. In fact it's like trying to paint a sunset with week old fish heads on a canvas of mescaline infused ladybugs.

I loved, no, love his writing. Reading Thompson is to read from a man with boundless courage, arrogance and a bottomless trunk of any color of pill you could imagine.

Nobody ever expected this American icon to live this long and less expected him to ever take his own life.

He was an active, proud, card-carrying member of the NRA and an incredible liberal.

He hated, no not hated, he screamed the idiocy of politicians from every soap box with bulging, boiling veins that could be seen to pulsate from as far away as Tulsa, Okla.

To him, the Bush administration was the KKK and Clinton was a hillbilly; no politician was safe from his fully automatic Bic.

The man did drugs you have only heard rumored of in the dirtiest, most depraved house parties. Breakfast, lunch and dinner were all pretty colors and mood altering candy-coated designer chemicals.

He didn't make it seem romantic, and if you read "Fear and Loathing," then you'll know what I mean. Nothing in that book is romantic, least of all the drug use.

When he was running from the flock of bats that were surrounding his car in Las Vegas, no one knew what to think of him; was he crazy? Did he actually go through this, or did he have a very creative imagination?

No one really knows to this day what to think of him. Nor will they ever know. Whether people reveered him or hated him, they will remember him.

"The first time I saw 'Fearing and Loathing in Las Vegas,' I thought it was crazy and funny too," said Steve Poole, a senior majoring in graphic design.

"I thought I understood it after the first time I saw it, but the more I watched it, the better I knew it. There's a lot of subtle things in there that you're too caught up to catch the first time."

Unafraid to speak his mind and live his life the way he enjoyed living it, legally or not, Thompson's passion for the things he loved will always be remembered as untamed.

"I think to write something like that about drugs, or even direct it, you would have to know what it's like to pull it off," said Poole. "It's hard to say, but I think he did it all."

This weekend when you go out remember Mr. Thompson; raise your glasses in a toast to the late, great Dr. Gonzo.

Imagine him sitting around with John Lennon and Kurt Cobain as the blazing chatter back and forth about everything under the sun. Rolling Stone will never be the same and I know that I will miss him terribly.

NAME:
Hunter S. Thompson a.k.a. Gonzo

AGE:
67

MAKES STORIES ABOUT:
Drugs

CLAIM TO STARDOM:
He wrote the book that produced the movie, "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" and created Gonzo journalism.

BEST FRIEND:
His hookah and any chemical he could put in it

HATES:
Sober people

NAME:
Gonzo The Muppet

AGE:
36

MAKES MOVIES ABOUT:
Warm fuzzy subjects

CLAIM TO STARDOM:
"The Muppet Movie," "The Muppets take Manhattan," and "A Muppet Christmas Carol"

BEST FRIEND:
A green frog and little piggy

HATES:
Trash talk about muppets with blue skin

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Constantine should only be comic

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

"Constantine" is the film adaptation of a DC/Vertigo comic called "Hellblazer."

Being a cartoonist and having grown up on comic books, it embarrasses me to admit that, so far as contemporary comics are concerned, I have fallen seriously out of the loop.

What little I do know about the "Hellblazer" comics is that the movie's title was changed to "Constantine." Warner Brothers was afraid that "Hellblazer" was too similar to the title of Clive Barker's "Hellraiser" movies.

Ironically enough, the "Hellblazer" comics themselves were meant to be called "Hellraiser" when they came out, but Clive Barker had come up with the title first.

This was the movie's first round with originality, but certainly not its last. We'll get to that later.

The world of "Constantine" is based more on images than on actual story, so I'll try to pinpoint the areas of the movie that make the most sense for a usable synopsis.

The title character is tough-talking supernatural detective John Constantine, played with one-note stoicism by Keanu Reeves. Constantine is trying to buy his way into heaven by exorcising demons and preventing the rise of the anti-Christ, or something similar.

Can Keanu Reeves act? No.

Does that really matter in this movie? No.

Now that we've got that out of the way, we can move onto more important matters.

There are angels and demons walking amongst us in human guise, trying to influence us to either good or evil, but both sides are forbidden from directly interfering in human affairs. When they do, they are "deported" to hell by Constantine.

There is also something about a "Spear of Destiny," which is supposed to have been the spear a Roman guard used to kill Jesus during the crucifixion. The movie opens with the Spear being accidentally discovered in Mexico.

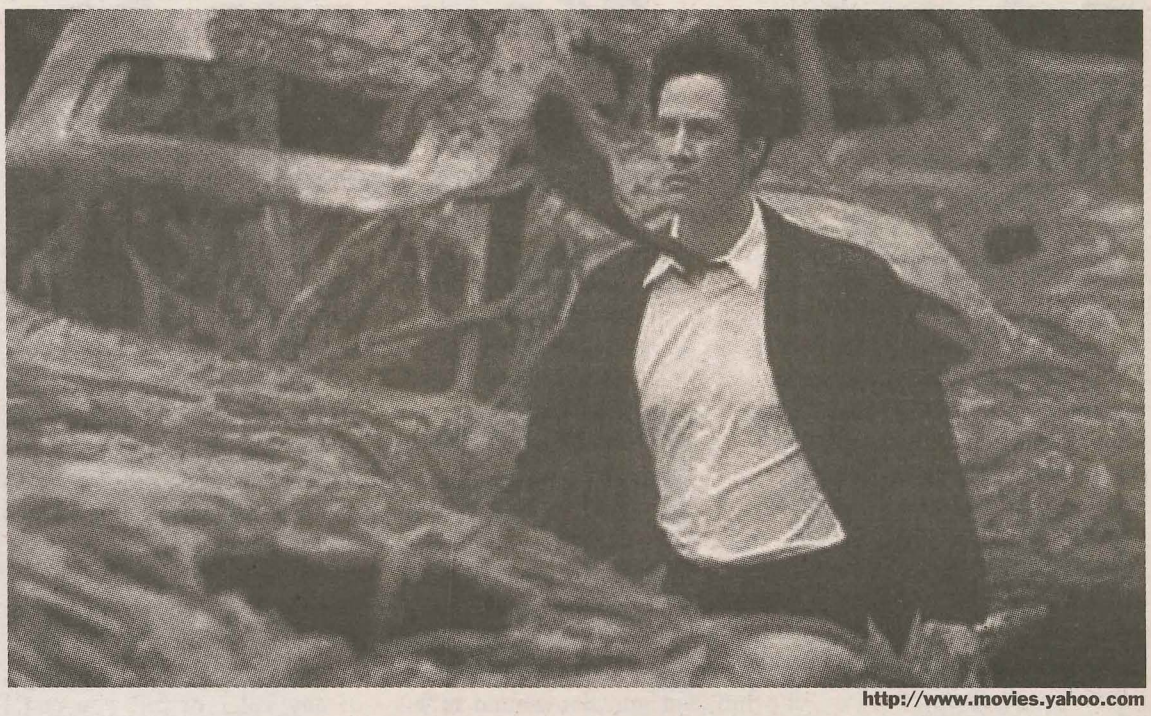
Maybe I was at the concessions area when it was explained how the Spear left the Holy Land, but it doesn't matter.

The main idea is that the Spear has been discovered, and somehow this artifact combined with a psychic policewoman, played by Rachel Weisz, will bring about the birth of Satan's son.

Now it's up to antiheroic Constantine to save mankind from hell on earth.

The angel Gabriel is involved somehow too, but I can't say how without giving away nearly every scene towards the end. What I can say is that as a character she's a lot of fun.

Tilda Swinton scenes opposite Constantine are some of the best in the entire movie.



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Constantine, starring Keanu Reeves, looks like it might just be a similar version of Reeves' last movie, "The Matrix." Though the action scenes are done in a tasteful style, not much else can be said for the plot or acting.

"Constantine" is heavily based in some loose form of Catholicism: think of a really dark and serious "Dogma" and you'll come close to the level of religion we're dealing with.

Can I fault the movie for dumbly portraying what happens to be my faith? Of course not.

Religion is just a device to give the story some kind of grounding, and it is only important as an excuse for the characters to be doing whatever it is they're doing.

What I can fault "Constantine" for is being far too derivate for its own good.

One of the opening scenes depicts John Constantine performing an exorcism. It's thrilling, convincing, and fun, but I can't shake the feeling that we've seen this kind of stuff somewhere before.

I could have sworn I heard someone say "A nice day for an exorcism" in the background, but I'm sure I was mistaken.

As I indicated earlier, "Constantine" is at its best when relying on its visuals.

This probably owes a lot to its comic book origin. Although the images of the demons and hell are incredibly well rendered, they're also clichéd. What should be haunting and gloomy too often comes off as just a little silly.

Yeah, it's dumb, cheesy and ends with a dull thud, but I must confess: I had a good time watching it and I can't quite bring myself to hate it. Director, Francis Lawrence, apparently knew his movie was going to be light on story and went for broke on the visuals, and I can't really blame him.

All in all, it's an average action flick that I'd wait to see on DVD if you're at all interested.

One quick sidenote: it occurs to me that Keanu Reeves has acted opposite the devil before, in 1997's "The Devil's Advocate." In that movie, Lucifer was gleefully played by Al Pacino. I wonder why he didn't sign on for this one?

"Constantine" gets a not-entirely-damning 2 out of 5.

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Topless underage girl gets video game banned

Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

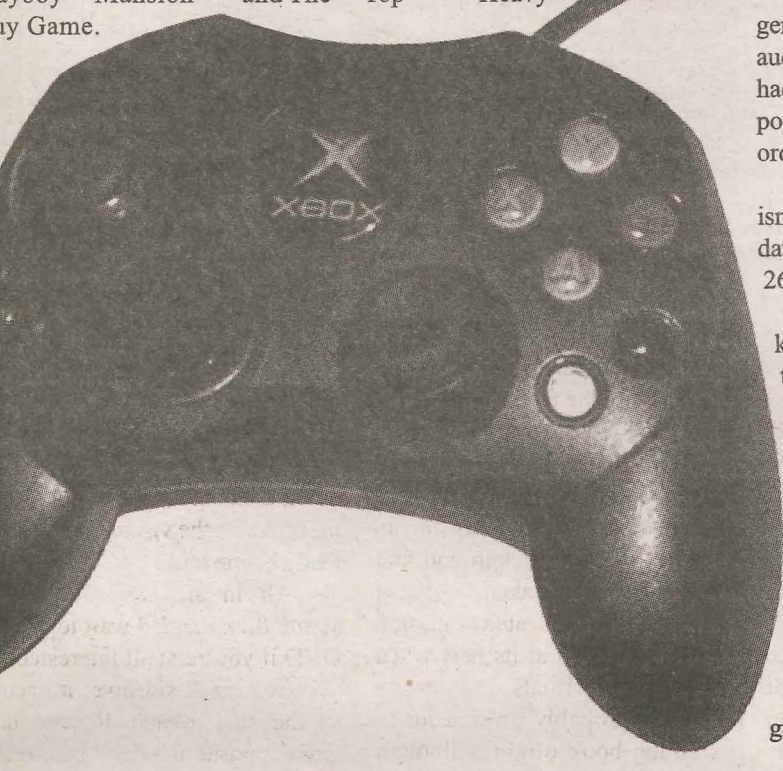
When associating video mes with sex, three titles that ve been released within the st year come to mind: Leisure it Larry: Magna Cum Laude, ayboy Mansion and The ıy Game.

The latter two were both rated Mature (M), while the first was rated Adults Only (AO) even though all three games contain nearly the same content.

Of the three, The Guy Game was temporarily banned worldwide last December due to footage of a topless underage girl in the background of a scene. She claimed that the footage was filmed and used without her permission.

The week of Christmas, she took Top Heavy Studios and Take Two, the game's software developer and publisher respectively, to court.

She claimed that since she was only 17-years-old at the time of the filming, the content was illegal. Soon after, she won the case and the court banned the game from sales until the material could be removed.



Sex and games…what does this spell out for the industry itself? Is this merely the start of a growing genre? Is it demoralizing the audience to know that developers had to resort to such a naughty (but popular) form of entertainment in order to publicize a game?

Actually, sex in video games isn't a new idea. The concept dates back to the days of the Atari 2600 in the 1970s and 80s.

Yes, it was a bit unnerving to know that gamers back then got their jollies watching two-bit characters with penises longer than their legs prance around on the screen doing. Well, there's no need to explain it any further.

What caused games like Custer's Revenge and Beat 'em & Eat 'em to even be released onto the market?

It probably started when a group of discontented workers left Atari and formed Activision. Others soon followed suit and formed their own small developing companies.

Many of the developers had little talent, but plenty of time. There was soon an influx of horrible games for the Atari that no one would buy.

Among these were the sex-themed games. The rapid increase of crappy games and low sales numbers nearly led to the end of the video game industry.

Nowadays, consoles are capable of rendering more than a five-by-eight sprite. With the ability to display photo-realistic images, there is no stopping developers from using it to any potential available, including sex appeal.

It's nursing an old idea into a new generation of gaming, but at the same time like beating a dead horse.

These games aren't popular, and they certainly aren't going to be nominated for any Academy of Interactive Arts and Science Awards.

They appeal to a very small percentage of gamers, and very few are made. The Entertainment Software Ratings Board (http://www.esrb.org) has only recognized 18 games rated Adult Only and 837 games rated Mature.

Together, these make up less than eight percent of all games released since 1993.

If these games are unpopular and haven't worked in the past, why are they still being made? Several reasons.

First, is that there is a market for sex games. Yes, a very small market, but it still exists with its own needs and wants that will consume whatever is given to it no matter how poorly it is made.

Secondly, they aren't very expensive to develop. Even with a narrow market available, it's possible to sell sex-themed games and make a profit. Since there's very little competition between games of this type, there's no standard to compare them to.

The two most popular genres these days, first person shooters and sports games, aren't based on sex appeal at all. Fighting-type games tend to rely heavily on the sex appeal, but few other types do and it isn't so much the entire genre as it is individual games.

In the end, sex will probably stay a minor part in both games and game marketing. Like all facets of life it does have a place in games, but that place is a small one.

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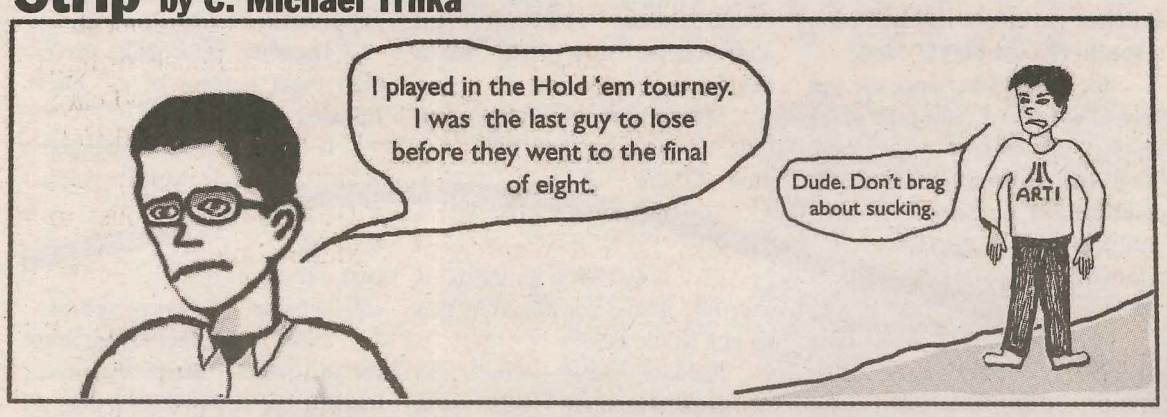

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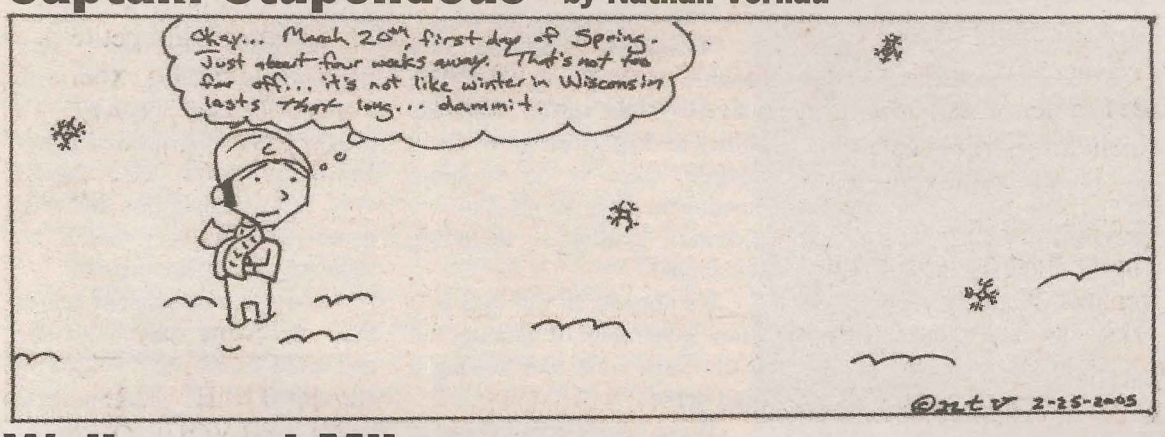

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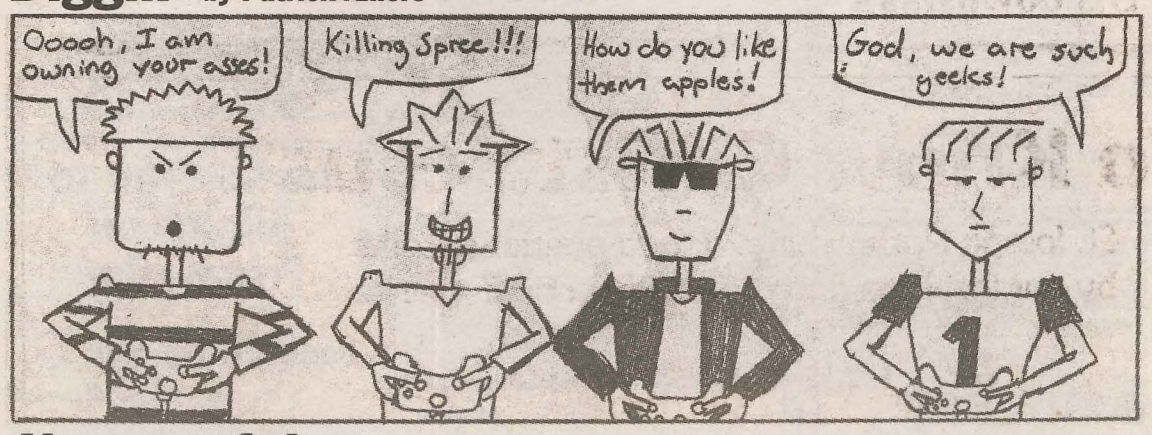

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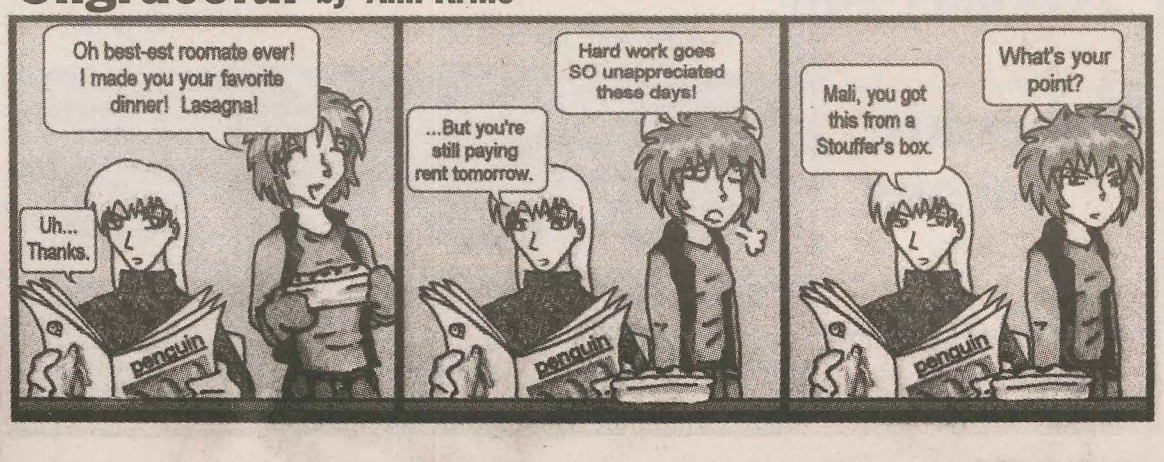

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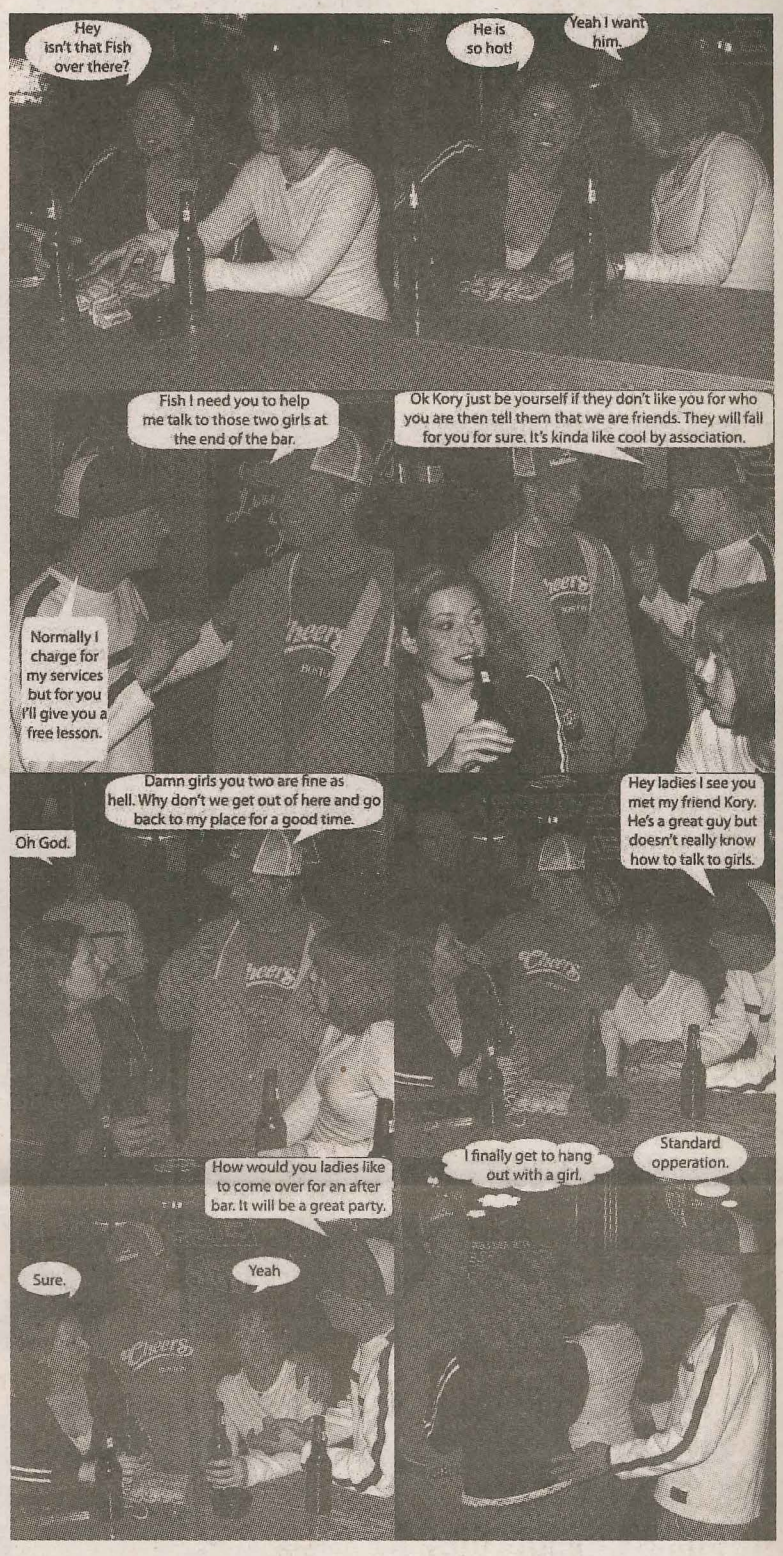

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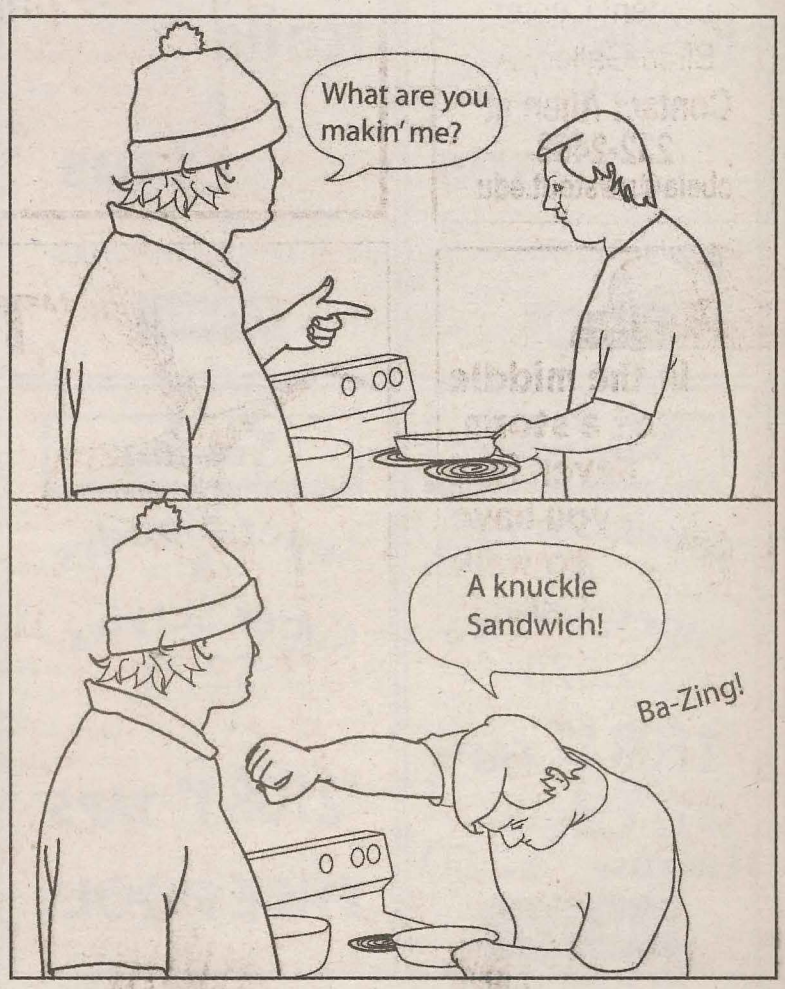

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Paintball club shoots away stress

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Editor

Not too many sports allow you to paint trees, buildings and friends all in the name of the game. For anyone looking for a new way to relieve stress, or just looking for a way to get out and meet some new people, the Stout paintball (SPC) club is the cure.

Paintball is a fast-moving sport that encourages teamwork, as well as working on individual goals.

"Paintball is a fast paced, energetic sport in which you are able to get together with your friends and have fun marking each other all day," said Steve Holm, a new member of the club. "I started playing when a friend invited me to a practice. From then on, I was hooked. Your survival depends on your skills and teamwork."

SPC has been a club since 2000, and they currently have 25 members. The club has weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center. They also practice weekly or biweekly throughout the year.

Currently, the club holds practices indoors in the west gym and plays lazerball. Lazerball is much like paintball but is played with foam balls. The balls are the same caliber as regular paintballs, but are made with a nerf-like material.

Lazerball is a great way to try paintball because it eliminates the fear of pain. Many people are intimidated by paintball because they have seen bruises or heard others talk about it hurting. Lazerball is a safe alternative.

"They don't hurt at all, and often you can't even feel them hit you," said Seamus Dwyer, the president of SPC. "I think that many people aren't members of the club because they are afraid of paintballs. They do hurt, but how much is highly controversial. Paintballs do leave little bruises that usually disappear within 30 minutes or so. Lazerball is a good way to try paintball without the fear of being hit."

The club also takes about seven trips to paintball fields over the course of the semester. These trips are to outdoor facilities and utilize real paintballs. The club also enters about two tournaments per year.

Currently, dues are $30 for the year or $20 a semester. This covers any and all equipment needed to play. The team will also cover marker rentals at fields where the team travels.

Dues also cover all field expenses such as green fees rental equipment, carbon dioxide, and most importantly, paintballs.

"Paintball can be a fairly expensive hobby," says Dwyer.

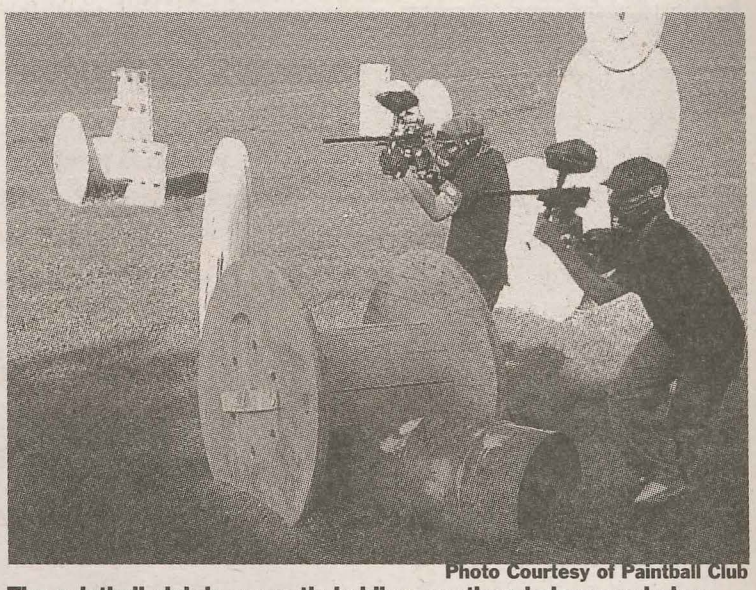

Photo Courtesy of Paintball Club

The paintball club is currently holding practices indoors and plays with foam lazerballs. Later in the spring, the club will move outdoors.

"We keep our dues low in order to allow anyone to experience paintball. If you went to a field and rented everything that is included with our dues, you would end up spending more in just one trip than our dues are for all year."

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2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #5	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Trash, 2 Parking spaces	6
2	1	619 1/2 13th Ave	$460	$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG,HotWater, Excellent Location	4
2	1	619 13th Ave	$430	$215	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat,WSG, Hot Water, Excellent Location	4
2	1	1803 1/2 7th St.	$400	$200	$460	$230	Remodeled, Large Apartment/Washer/Dryer	D
2	1	115 W Main St.	$380	$190	$465	$233	Parking,downtown location	3
2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$600	$300	$600	$300	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	2121 5th St. A	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	2121 5th St. B	$395	$198	n/a	n/a	Washer/Dryer, Parking	4
2	1	802 6th Ave #6	$500	$250	$500	$250	All Utilities included Great Location Parking	6
2	1	620 15th Ave.	$350	$175	n/a	n/a	Good location, Upstairs duplex	D
2	1	119 Main St. #2	$380	$190	$430	$215	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	915 1/2 Main St.	$360	$180	$435	$218	Nice Duplex with parking	D
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$450	$150	$570	$190	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$660	$220	$860	$287	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	2	414 14th Av W. #6	$660	$220	$860	$287	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
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3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$500	$167	$650	$217	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	$675	$225	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	814 1/2 10th St.	$600	$200	$700	$234	Large rooms, gas heat, nice place	4
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$700	$175	$830	$207	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$550	$138	$720	$180	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$600	$150	$720	$180	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	414 14th Av W. #6	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
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4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$800	$200	$1000	$250	Great House/W/D hook-up/gas heat	H
4	1+	1515 6th Street	$800	$200	$950	$237	Spacious, close to campus,washer/dryer	H

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4	1	1115 14th Ave	$600	$150	$750	$188	Gas heat, garage, lg.rooms,washer/dryer, A/C	H
4	3	147 1/2 W Main St "A"	$1100	$275	$1100	$275	Includes Utilities, Huge, great location n/p	4
4	2	1702 6th St	$900	$225	$1075	$269	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$500	$125	$720	$180	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$750	$150	$900	$180	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$975	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$900	$180	$1060	$212	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$800	$160	$910	$182	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Good loc./washer/dryer/ avail aug 23	4
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	N/A	N/A	W/D, right on campus, Special 9mo. lease	
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2+	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1200	$240	$1400	$234	Fabulous newer construction, WashDry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1190	$170	$1415	$203	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1260	$180	$1485	$213	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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Daytona 500 opens racing season

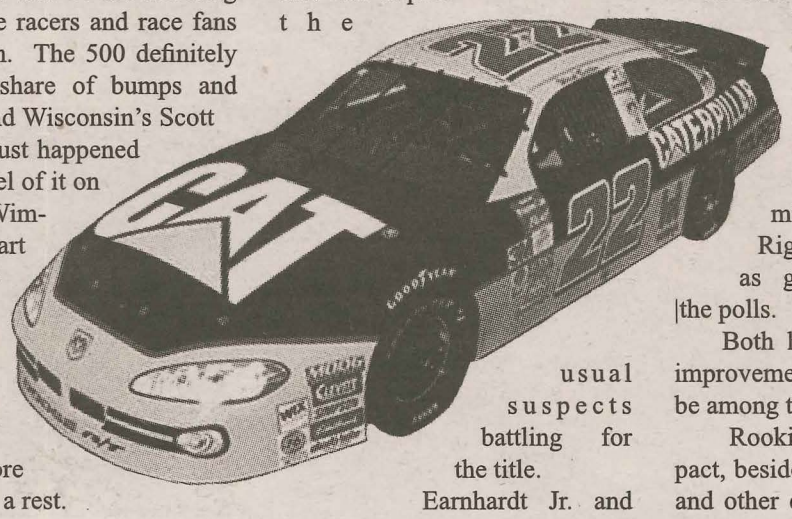
By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

The 2005 Nextell Cup season opened last weekend with the biggest race of the season, the Daytona 500. Over 50 drivers made the trip to Daytona Beach to see if their car could take the checkered flag.

When the smoke settled, Jeff Gordon took first, followed by Kurt Busch in second and Dale Earnhardt Jr. in third.

The victory was Gordon's third at Daytona and marked the fifth win for car owner Rick Hendrick.

Daytona is still only one race, and it will be another long trip for the racers and race fans this season. The 500 definitely had its share of bumps and bruises, and Wisconsin's Scott Wimmer just happened to get a feel of it on lap 183. Wimmer was part of a nine-car crash that sent his ride flipping over five times before coming to a rest.



As for the rest of the sesaon, one can expect the usual suspects battling for the title. Earnhardt Jr. and Gordon will most definitely be two drivers to look for. Former champions looking to retake the crown consist of Matt Kenseth, Mark Martin and Tony Stewart. Jimmie Johnson and Scott Riggs have emerged as good drivers rising in the polls.

Both have showed enough improvement that they will also be among the top drivers.

Rookies rarely make an impact, besides crashing into walls and other cars, but some of the rookies to look for this year include Travis Kvapil and Kyle Busch.

Kvapil was first among rookies finishing 19th and Busch finished 38th. Rookies can also look forward to the Rookie of the Year title. It should be an exciting season with these new drivers and to see how these veterans do in the meanwhile. Hopefully it will be a safe and interesting season as the points rally up this year.

The tires will burn, the engines will quit, but the question is, "Who's the toughest guy out there?" The next race will be the Auto Club 500 on February 27.

Stoutonia's Hero of the Week

Former University of Wisconsin-Stout football player Tyrone Rhone did something only few people can do when danger strikes.

He responded.

Rhone was on a bus in Minnesota, on his way to try out for the Arena football team, the Sioux Falls Storm.

He awoke to find a young woman holding a knife to the throat of the bus driver. Rhone, a defensive back, stepped up and made the tackle of his life.

The bus driver recieved several cuts during the incident, Rhone also was cut during the tackle; he recieved five stitches and is expected to heal fully.

"I made a good tackle; I tackled two people, hopefully you'll all get to see that during the season," said Rhone in an interview with the Associated Press.

The Facts:
Former UW-Stout football player
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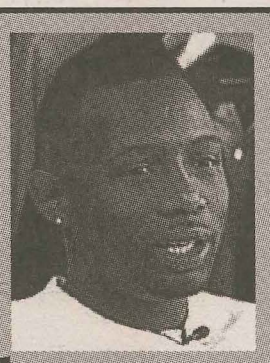
Arena Football Player

Tackled a bus hijacker during an incident in Minnesota.



Tyrone Rhone
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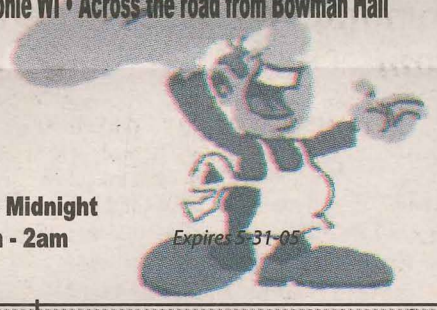

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Men's Basketball (13-11)

Whitewater defeated Stout 82-78 on Feb. 9

Women's Basketball (20-6)

The lady Blue Devils beat Eau Claire 70-65 on Feb. 23

Next Game: Feb. 16 hosting Oshkosh

Gymnastics

The gymnastics team lost to LaCrosse 183.85-173.65

Next Match: Feb 18. at La Crosse

Hockey (9-13-4)

River Falls defeated Stout 2-1 in a 20 minute mini-game

Lady Devils win WIAC title!

Jay Fish

Erin Churchill and Molly Hendricks are all smiles after UW-Stout defeated UW-Eau Claire on Wednesday night. The lady Blue Devils will host UW-Oshkosh on Saturday for the WIAC tournament title.

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Winning three games straight can be very difficult, especially against a conference rival. When the lady Blue Devils basketball team hosted the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire on Wednesday night, it was something that had to be done if they wanted the team to advance to the conference tournament finals.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout entered the game with a record of 20-6 and the bragging rights of regular, season conference champions.

The lady Blue Devils were fresh off a victory in the first round of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference playoffs over the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

"We have a young team with many assets," said senior Erin Churchill. "Each teammate brings something different to the game."

In the game against the Eagles, the lady Blue Devils had struggled early, trailing the number eight seed by over 10 points.

It wasn't until the end of the first half that the Blue Devils would re-take the lead with two Kelsey Duoss free throws.

From the second half onward it was the lady Blue Devils who would remain in control as the team came out with a 73-66 victory. It was the 19th straight time that UW-Stout has defeated UW-LaCrosse.

Round two of the tournament would prove to be far tougher, as the Blugolds bounced back after letting UW-Stout jump out to an early lead. The Blugolds then formed a lead a of their own, being up by as much as 11 points late in the first half.

The lady Blue Devils had many opportunities for scoring in the first half but couldn't get the shots to fall, shooting 7-29 from the field in the first half.

The Blugolds also packed strong defense early in the game and did not allow UW-Stout to get the ball inside the arc.

A late Blue Devil scoring run near the end of the first half, led by two Lindsay Erichsen three pointers, put the team within four when half-time hit.

The second half brought an even greater intensity, as the overly aggressive Blugolds found themselves in foul trouble early on and giving away free throws to the lady Blue Devils.

But even with the free throws, UW-Stout could not pull away from the tenacious defense of the Blugolds. The largest lead that the lady Blue Devils could get was no more than five points.

As time ticked down, the game continued to stay close. With under a minute left, the lady Blue Devils were up one and looking to lock in the win, but a late foul sent the Blugolds to the line where one free throw was made to tie the game.

With the game tied at 61 and under 30 seconds left, senior Erin Churchill raced to the basket but couldn't get the shot off in time. As the clock closed out the final seconds, Duoss got the ball but was fouled with 2.3 seconds remaining.

The lady Blue Devils were just a free-throw away from victory, but neither shot could drop for Duoss, and the game went into overtime.

The overtime period opened with Lindsey Geissler knocking down a three pointer giving UW-Stout an early advantage.

Duoss redeemed herself in overtime, scoring four points and leading the lady Blue to a 70-65 victory.

The win was the third win over the Blugolds this season and advanced the team to the conference tournament finals.

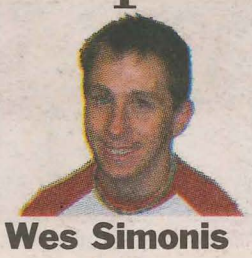
The finals will be at Johnson Fieldhouse and the time of the game will be announced late Thursday.

The lady Blue Devils will face the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, who defeated the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

In the two meetings this season, the lady Blue Devils have defeated the Titans by over 10 in each contest, but that doesn't make the team a pushover.

However, if UW-Stout wins over the Titans, the team will recieve an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III tournament.

Hoops for Hope cures seasonal blues



Wes Simonis
Sports Editor

If you think that you have mad-hoop skills, but dunking on your little sister's head isn't upping your street cred, then grab your buddies and signup for the 3-on-3 basketball tournament this Saturday.

The tournament will be held in the Multipurpose room at the Johnson Fieldhouse and begins at 9 a.m.

The games will be officiated, and brackets consist of 15-18 year-old men and 15-18 year-old women. There are also brackets for 19 years and older for both men and women. The tournament organizers hope to have 10 teams per bracket.

The games will be 30 minutes long and will include time outs. The tournament will be a double elimination.

The event is organized by the University of Wisconsin-Stout sororities, is sponsored by B-95 radio station in Eau Claire, and the Pioneer Bar and Grill in Menomonie.

Entry fees are $50 per team, and the proceeds go to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Individuals can register in advance at the SOC desk or be done the day of the event.

"We are expecting a lot of walk-in registrations," said community development coordinator Sandi Meinsen. "Mostly due to the interest just this week."

The festivites will continue after the tournament, as the Pioneer will be hosting the St. Jude Jam. Everyone is encouraged to attend and enjoy music from the Stoney Jam Band, games, prizes and fun.

If you like to play basketball or want to help out a good cause, register as soon as possible, because spots will go fast.

For more information, send questions to Sandi Meinsen at meinsens@uwstout.edu.

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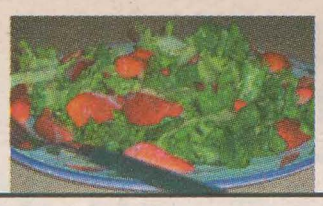

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To Russia this summer

By Jesse Young
News Writer

A new study abroad program has made its way to the UW-Stout campus. The Russian summer hospitality and tourism study abroad program is now open to all students who wish to enlighten themselves in Russian culture and history during the summer term. Led by Dr. Lynnette Brouwer, a group of 10 to 15 students will travel to Russia to explore and experience the culture and history of the Russian Federation.

The International Office in Bowman Hall is the place for students to explore study abroad programs and find out what is happening outside of the United States. These programs offer students a chance to go, explore other cultures and see what the world is really like. They offer other programs in Australia, Scotland and Thailand. There are short term programs, which are only a couple of weeks long, and semester long classes that last two to six months.

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The Dallas Brass

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Although not from Dallas, The Dallas Brass lit up the Great Hall on Friday night with their blend of classical masterpieces, Dixieland, swing, Broadway, Hollywood and patriotic music. According to member Michael Levine, "A Dallas Brass concert is intended for the entire family. Our ideal audience has a range in ages from 5 to 95.

Attracting foreign students

New programming aims to bring students to Wisconsin

By Michael Gendall
Badger Herald

(U-WIRE) MADISON, Wis. - In response to the steady decline of enrollment among foreign students at the University of Wisconsin throughout the past decade, UW is offering several programs designed to aid international students in becoming immersed in college life and, in a broader scope, with life in America.

The number of foreign undergraduates at UW declined during the past decade by 17 percent, according to Associate Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Climate Bernice Durand.

Conversely, foreign graduate students have seen an increase in enrollment of three percent over the same time span, according to the UW's Office of Budget, Planning and Analysis Web site.

Pap Sarr, director of International Student Services, said UW does not recruit foreign students, which may be a reason for the decreasing number of undergraduates hailing from other countries.

"The UW does not have an approach. It's just word of mouth [with] no international-student recruiting," Sarr said.

Sarr added that since the Sept. 11 attacks, the hassle to obtain a U.S. visa has discouraged international students from applying to the United States. Instead, students opt for countries such as the United Kingdom, Australia or New Zealand, countries that "have much lower visa restrictions and lower tuition."

The UW organization Building Relationships in Diverse Global Environments (BRIDGE) is one attempt aimed at welcoming international students to the university.

BRIDGE, which started in the fall semester of 2002, works to offer programs that appeal to international students. BRIDGE pairs 50 international students with 50 American students and encourages the

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Protests in Madison against tuition increase

By Amanda McGowan
Daily Cardinal

(U-WIRE) MADISON, Wis. - College students around Wisconsin gathered on the steps of the Capitol Thursday to protest a proposed 14 percent tuition increase in Governor Doyle's biennial budget. The protesters held doors signed by students from various University of Wisconsin System schools and marked with "Keep UW Doors Open 2 All." These doors were delivered to Joint Finance Committees that met with student representatives of state schools.

The United Council of UW Students led the protest. In August, the organization decided to support a tuition increase if it was less than five percent and coupled with an investment from the state. The proposed consecutive increases of five to seven percent apiece warranted protest for an increase of five percent or less. Schools such as UW-Madison were fighting for a tuition freeze as well.

According the United Council, tuition has almost doubled in the past four years. In the 2002-2003 academic year, a UW-Madison student was paying $3,854 a year; by 2006-2007 students will be paying $6,016.

According to United Council President Stephanie Hilton, "students are paying more and getting less."

One protest participant was UW-Rock County freshman Gina Castro. Castro is working toward a degree while being a single mother to her teenage children.

"If they increase tuition, I won't be able to even get my two-year associate degree. In four years, my children will be entering college, and it will make it more difficult for them because we are poor," Castro said.

While the protestors were fighting against the tuition increases Doyle proposed, they found some aspects of his budget favorable.

"We need to protect the funding that is in the Governor's budget," Hilton said. Doyle has budgeted $21 million in financial aid funding.

State Rep. Rob Kreibich, R-Eau Claire, spoke on behalf of UW-Eau Claire and discussed a proposed alternative to Gov. Doyle's budget. This alternative would cap tuition at three percent.

"Our work begins today. We need to keep the pressure on,"

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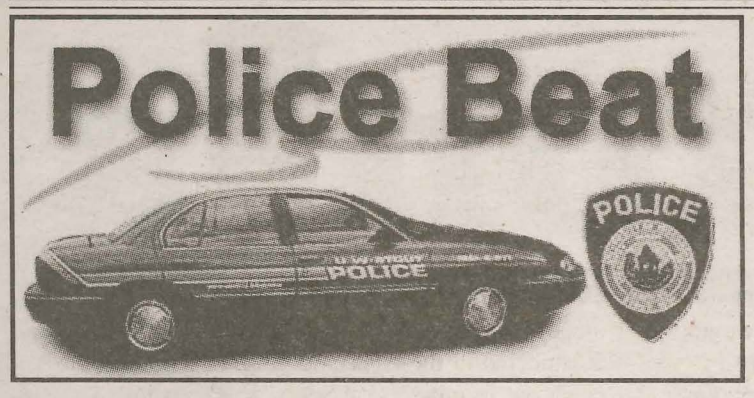

By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

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Slow through the parking lot
On Feb. 23, an officer was dispatched to Lot 29 for a fender bender. One car was waiting in the aisle for another car to back out of a stall. The car backing out struck the other car, bending the hood and damaging the bumper, resulting in an estimated $850 repair bill. The car backing out received no damage.

Some people are angry at cars
A complainant reported criminal damage to his vehicle in Lot 22 on Feb. 25. The complainant stated the windshield had been smashed, and he was last at his car two weeks prior.

English writing center

New center to improve student writing approved in February

By Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

In early February, an English writing center was approved for UW-Stout. It will be opening in the fall of 2005.

The writing center will be open to all undergraduate and graduate students, as well as faculty and staff. There will be no charge for the services.

Help will be available for any writing assignment for any class. The staff will help with organization, revision and documentation, along with anything else that deals with writing; they will not edit papers.

Trained peer, faculty and staff tutors will work at the writing center. Dr. Andrea Muldoon and Dr. Kristin Risley, both assistant professors of English, will be the co-coordinators of the English Writing Center.

If interested in becoming a tutor for the writing center, contact Dr. Muldoon at muldoona@uwstout.edu, or Dr. Risley at risleyk@uwstout.edu.

More information about the English Writing Center will be available at a later date.

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Kreibich said. "Today is a great beginning."

"Keeping financial ability is the best way to assure a bright future," said state Rep. Mark Pocan, D-Madison. "A cut in higher education is a cut to job creation and the economy in Madison."

After hearing speeches from various representatives of UW schools, the protestors took their doors from the steps of the Capital inside chanting "We are the students ... fighting for justice and education."

Inside, student representatives of four and two-year campuses attended their respective Joint Finance Committee meetings to lobby for lower tuition.

According to UW-Madison junior and member of the Multicultural Student Coalition Joshua Healey, "[The protest] is a good start. We got legislators to come meet with us. Our message is starting to be heard."

But Healey says while a tuition freeze would be an improvement, tuition needs to decreased.

"They are making the university a gated community," Healey said.

In Memoriam of Kathy Strand

MENOMONIE - Kathy Sue Strand, 39, of Menomonie, a program assistant in the Chancellor's Office at UW-Stout, died Saturday, Feb. 26 at Rochester Methodist Hospital in Rochester, Minn., after a courageous battle with cancer.

She had worked in the Chancellor's Office since 1983.

Survivors include her parents, Bill and June Strand of Menomonie; three sisters, Kay Strand, Kristie (Thomas) Olson and Kari Strand, all of Menomonie; two nephews, Ryan and Sean Olson of Menomonie; four aunts, Margaret Klatt of Downing, Verna Gesche and Betty Gesche of Menomonie, and Marian Gesche of Eau Claire; special friend, Rodney Larsen of Menomonie; and many cousins, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 2 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Menomonie.

The family prefers memorials be given to the Stout University Foundation.

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BRIDGE/*bringing the world to UW*

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students to "share each other's differences," BRIDGE director May Lee Moua-Vue said.

American students must meet with the international student assigned to them at least seven times during the course of the semester, in addition to more BRIDGE-planned events. Past events included pumpkin-carving at Halloween and a field trip to Devil's Lake State Park in Baraboo, Wis.

BRIDGE is designed as "primarily an international friendship program," according to Kristin Lenichek, an assistant at the organization. She said her group "helps to acclimate newly arrived international students to the Madison area."

BRIDGE members visited an art museum in Milwaukee Saturday, Lenichek said, and in March, the organization will hold an event featuring desserts from various international cultures.

Nearly 4,000 international students from more than 100 different countries are currently enrolled at UW, ranking its international-student population among the top 12 in the nation, according to BRIDGE's website.

The BRIDGE program serves well less than one percent of all international students enrolled at UW each semester.

"The reason why [enrollment] is such a small number is for staffing purposes," Moua-Vue said. "We don't have the funding [to expand]."

Lenichek said BRIDGE hopes to expand in the future to serve a higher number of international students.

"We would love to expand the program," Lenichek said. "If we got more money, we'd love to include more students in the program and reach out to other campus departments."

Other UW programs are also devoted to the welfare of international students on campus, Moua-Vue added. These programs include Global Connections and the Greater University Tutorial Service, which offers a conversational English program similar to BRIDGE, but "with a focus on linguistics and writing."

Another organization -- Madison Friends of International Students -- pairs international students with a volunteering community member to aid in the development of English conversational skills.

RUSSIA/*learning culture for credit*

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"There are so many things that make the study abroad programs here at UW-Stout very special," said Vickie Kuesker, associate director of the International Office in Bowman Hall. "As everyone always says, 'It's an opportunity of a lifetime.'"

"For students just to interact with different cultures, it will change their lives and the way they interoperate with the world. You will really find out how big the world really is, and your geography will improve too," said Kuesker.

Some of the programs have been running for some time now. The United Kingdom summer abroad program has been in service for 10 years now, and The Thailand Abroad program is now in its fourth year.

The Russian summer abroad program is new this year, but Brouwer has traveled to Russia a total of five times, knowledge and experience is quite fit for an abroad program.

The program takes off on June 10, will go for two weeks, and will end on June 27. The cost of the program is $3,868, which includes tuition for three credits, application/service fee, insurance, lodging, airfare and local transport. The program will travel to Moscow, Irkutsk and Ulan Ude in the Siberian area Lake Baikal.

With tours to the local museums, indigenous villages and even the oldest Buddhist temple in Russia, students will be immersed in the culture of Russia. They will be traveling on the shores of Lake Baikal and engaging in local pastimes and socials. They will travel to Irkutsk, the gateway to Siberia. Irkutsk has a population of 500,000 and is known as a must for many artists and musicians because of its influence from the exile of all the artists and musicians in Russia during the reign of Stalin in the early 1900s.

"This is a truly amazing trip for young students, and it's a total experience for anybody," said Lynnette Brouwer, associate professor of hotel, restaraunt and tourism management. "With this program, students will find places that many people don't even know about. It's a whole different country on the eastern side; not many U.S. citizens have traveled there. The culture is very different, and you get to appreciate their culture and ours at the very same time. This is for anybody interested in Hospitality and Tourism, but it is still open to anyone else interested in learning about the many different aspects of Russia."

The course is mainly for upperclassmen who are H&T majors, but exceptions can be made. The applications are due next week, and there are still some vacancies. Financial Aid is available up to a total amount of $700. If anyone has questions, contact Brouwer at brouwerl@uwstout.edu or at 232-2541. All brochures and applications are at fourth floor Bowman, in the International Office.

There is also a new summer abroad program that travels to Turkey for senior or graduate students with a GPA of 2.00 or higher. The cost of the program is $3,127. It is headed by Tom Lacksonen.

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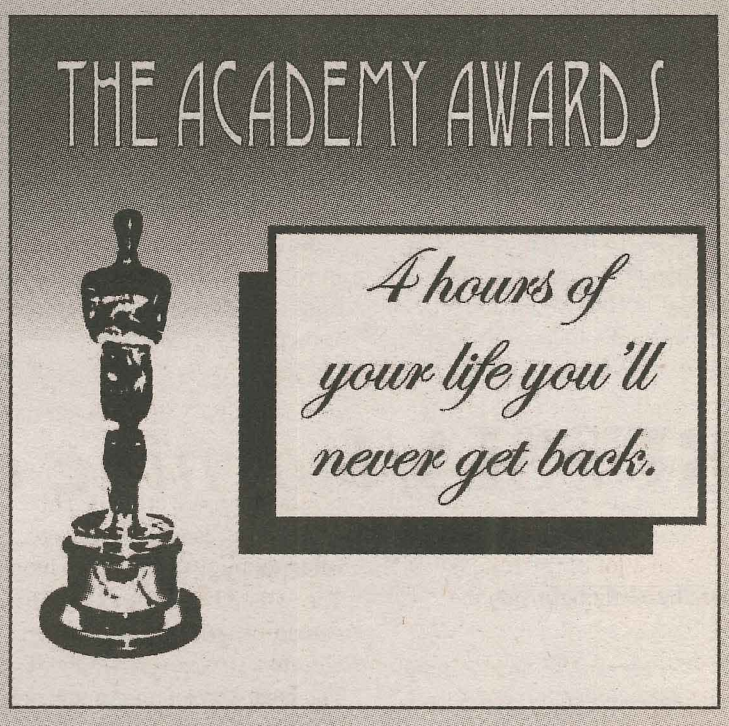
It's the Oscars, pretend to care

Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff



Remember when you were young and every March you would get excited for that one special night when the red carpet was rolled out and the Oscars were presented?

Remember that special night when the best and brightest came into your homes through the miracle of television?

If you do, you might need to see a counselor - often.

Chances are, that you, like most college aged students, were never really into the Oscars. They never held your attention.

Why, then, do so many people care about the Oscars once they get older? Is there something wondrous about that little golden man?

People in the real world actually have office pools for who wins which awards. That is so wrong.

Or is it? March Madness is quickly approaching, and no one will be questioning the grown men who stop living their lives for entire days just to sit and watch college basketball while they keep track of their office pool brackets.

Everyone obsesses over something. If you obsess over the Oscars or March Madness, you are hereby cleared of all "Man you are crazy" charges.

Moving on to the news that actually came from the awards presentation - Chris Rock was the host this year, P. Diddy was a presenter and Beyonce performed - three times.

Interesting to see that Hollywood abandoned the idea of using people who actually have something to do with movies at the biggest night for movie awards.

"Million Dollar Baby" was the only big winner this year. Clint Eastwood won Best Director, Morgan Freeman won Best Supporting Actor and Hilary Swank won the Best Actress award.

Swank's second time in the Oscar spotlight was reminiscent of her first win. Both times she won for playing a not-so-ladylike female who had the snot beat out of her.

For that, *The Stoutonia* says, "Way to stick to what you do best, Hilary."

Ray Charles continued to bring in the posthumous awards with Jamie Foxx winning the Oscar for Best Actor for his performance of the legendary singer.

Two underdogs *The Stoutonia* liked were, "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind," which won Best Original Screenplay and "Sideways," which won Best Adapted Screenplay.

Both movies have excellent casts and feature original entertaining stories that make a viewer think.

Check out the Anti-Academy Awards Poetry in Student Life on page 7

Staff makes life liveable

To function, we need the faculty and staff

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

This is the third in a series of three articles

The last meaty chunk of this series needs no sauce to cover its taste. It is thick and juicy; the center of the steak is always the most succulent. I don't wince but instead look forward to the flavor; the faculty and staff.

Besides the students, where would a university be without its faculty and staff? The students, their instructors and classified employees create a bit of a unique symbiotic relationship; no single entity can exist without the others. We already know what part students play in this drama, but what of the other parts?

The faculty serves the purpose of instructors, imparting knowledge, skills and wisdom to the students. They work long hours in the role of the sage; they assign and grade, often into the wee hours of the morning. This last bit I know from personal experience.

While a one to two page paper may seem of little consequence to us, the students, when one engages in the actual evaluation of these papers, this can go on for hours and lead to tremendous eye strain.

I garner no envy of these lords and ladies when finals week rolls around, and a class of thirty students is each turning in 10 to 20 page papers. I don't envy them at all.

I won't say that all professors I have had were commendable. I have had the chance to "learn" from those who were/are poor in their chosen trade.

Some people seemed to only be biding their time, some seemed annoyed by the very presence of the students, while some seemed only to care for those that they deemed "favorite" and paid little attention to others. Thankfully this has been a small, miniscule amount of educators during my time here at Stout.

To those who work hard for every student and try to help their students at every opportunity, I offer whole-hearted thanks. You are appreciated.

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Here's to your journey in life

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

This article is meaningless to you. It won't make you smarter or any more attractive because only high doses of alcohol can do that.

What I say here may not ever be remembered past the time you take to read it while ignoring your professors in class. Take it or leave it, I will tell you what I know and after that, you can do with it what you want.

Money is not the devil.

Think about it, it's just an inatimate object - a piece of paper. It has no emotion, no ability to think or feel, and it cannot do anything to you that you don't do to yourself. After all, when it's in your hands, you are the one controlling what you do with it, aren't you?

Money can't buy happines, it can only take the edge off of reality when you have enough of it to go around. When you don't have enough of it, it's just one more thing to be unhappy about at the present moment.

If you aren't happy in the life you're living now, trust me, you won't be happy 'someday' when money is more available to you. There is good in every bad situation, if you don't see it, you aren't looking.

Love is a choice we make, not an emotion we feel.

Sure, bodily chemicals can leave you believing that it was all 'meant to be,' but after the feeling is gone and human nature kicks in, what is the binding thread that holds you close to those you love? It's the decision you make to love the one with you.

Friends, family, enemies and lovers - these are the people you decide to love or hate every single day. It's easier to see the bonds our choices weave with our friends than it is to see the ones we weave with our lovers.

When arguments and trials knock on love's door, we make a decision. A decision to stay, or a decision to leave. We choose to continue loving or let go of the tattered shreds we see as our bonds; yet be reminded that it is our choice. No amount of emotion will make that choice for you.

Laughter is a cure-all for life.

When we laugh, we release chemicals into our brain that make us happier. It's like getting stoned off of yourself, and get this, it's legal.

The best thing to laugh about is absolutely nothing. Once I had to sit in a room with 30 other people and start laughing. Forced laughter for five very long minutes. By the end of the five minutes, I was sincerely laughing so hard I was crying.

It was one of the best things I have learned in college, and the teacher had nothing to do with it. It was one of the best lessons I had ever been taught, and to think that I had it in me since birth.

Laughter is the light that shines at the end of the tunnel you may or may not be trying to get out of. It also happens to be every single lamppost you pass along the way. If you let it fill you, every single day of your life will be lit up like the Christmas tree in Times Square.

So put on some shades because it's going to be a bright road.

Sara Kins, a favorite writer of mine, described it perfectly in her book, "The Story of Us." She alluded to the fact that the journey we are taking isn't supposed to be easy.

There will be trials and triumphs, happiness and heartaches, but in end, when we look back at the roads we have traveled, we will be able to smile with the satisfaction of knowing that we've traveled one hell of a journey.

Here's to your journey and the feeling you'll have when you reach your destination. And here's to the hope that somewhere along the way, your path crosses mine.

Schubbe-series continues: Yoga balls beware

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Okay, round two. I thought it would get easier to exercise regularly, but it actually seems to be getting harder. It's tough to keep up a routine when you're not used to it. I think it's because it's one more thing on top of my classes.

I'm in the Graphic Design program, for those that don't know, so a lot of my time is spent hermitizing inside the Applied Arts building or letting my eyes glaze over in front of the computer screen in my room.

I'm usually pretty drained after a day of long studio classes, so exercising isn't as attractive of a prospect as sitting still for an extended period of time.

But I've managed to keep motivation at nearly a constant level, even a fever pitch one might say. What motivates me to work out? I actually can't say.

Strange, I know, but it's almost as if some unseen hand is pushing me to the gym, and then shoving me over into a push-up position.

But enough expository information. I'm sure someone is wondering what I actually do during the course of a regular workout; not a whole lot, actually. I hate admitting that, because I know my teacher reads these articles. She sent me an e-mail about them, so hopefully this isn't incriminating.

I usually begin by stretching out my legs, arms and all those other muscles that have the potential to be pulled during the course of a work out. Then I do a rigorous set of push-ups, followed by two different kinds of sit-ups. Then I usually get a drink of water, you gotta keep hydrated.

Then I do some arm curls. These are usually pretty embarrassing because of all the areas in which I'm muscularly lacking; the arms are particularly noticeable. I won't go into to details, but I'll just say that I definitely make my "work out face" when I do arm curls, and it's not a flattering look for me.

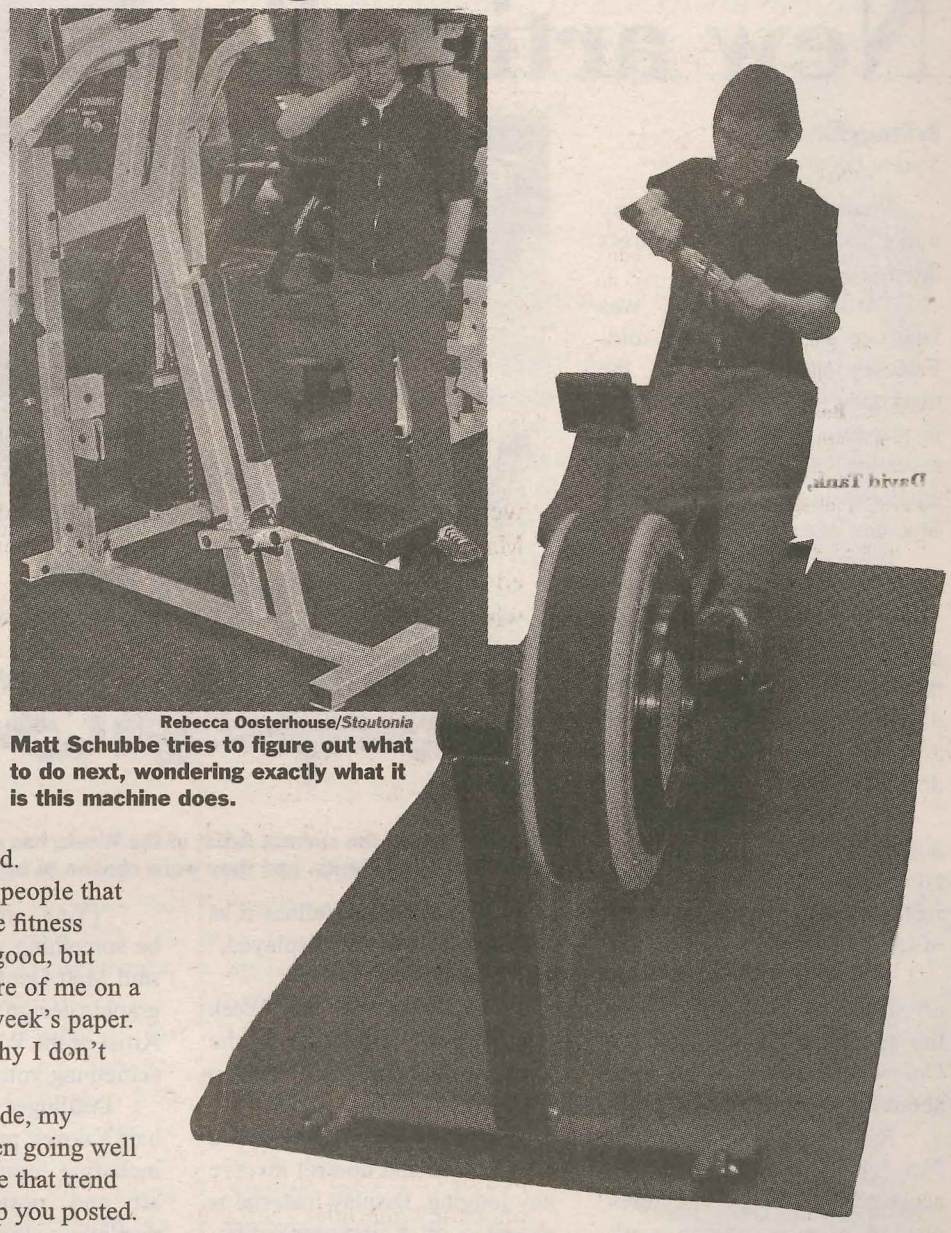
Then I do some leg extensions and finish the workout off with another round of sit-ups.

I usually do sit-ups on a mat in the back of the gym, right near the yoga and medicine balls.

I've come to realize something from working out near these balls used for yoga; no one can look cool on a yoga ball. It's true. You could be James friggin' Dean, be very physically fit and a pro in the yoga department, but when it comes down to it, you're just sitting on a big ball, rolling around.

Not to knock people that use yoga balls, the fitness benefits are very good, but you saw the picture of me on a yoga ball in last week's paper. Now you know why I don't have a girlfriend.

Yoga balls aside, my workouts have been going well thus far, and I hope that trend continues. I'll keep you posted.



Rebecca Oosterhouse/*Stoutonia*
Matt Schubbe tries to figure out what to do next, wondering exactly what it is this machine does.

Dumb ideas often lead to many realizations

Steve Tietz
Columnist

This most recent week was quite possibly the most boring week in recent history, except for my small run-in with the law in regards to an underage drinking citation. As far as thinking about something to write about for my column, it was almost counter-productive.

I usually spend all week compiling ideas about possible subjects. Then Sunday nights I analyze them and decipher which one I can write the most interesting article on, or about which one I can actually write an entire page.

But this week was different, I had a lot of small ideas but nothing big enough. I decided I would write about a few of the brief thoughts I had during the week and also include some of the events that happened to me.

Every Tuesday night *The Stoutonia* staff has a meeting in the Commons to discuss future stories, ideas, events to cover and also to offer some constructive criticism regarding our individual writing styles.

At last week's meeting, my new boss and editor gave me an idea for my next column; his idea was for me to write an article about why *The Stoutonia* is referenced multiple times in the search results when typing such words as "crap" or "porn" in the search box on escholar.

Now this little bit of slight, and I do mean slight, humor is an excellent bit of worthless knowledge, but for me to write an entire column about it would be absolutely insane.

Friday I had to make a trip to my hometown of New London, Wis., which is roughly three and a half hours west of our beloved Menomonie. If any of you have ever taken Highway 29 west for any distance further than Chippewa Falls, you can identify with me when I say that it is possibly the most horrific drive known to man.

It's a drive that makes grown men ask "Are we there yet?" During my drive back here, that same day, I got behind a particular SUV equipped with five mini TVs, all with the same thing playing on them. I rode behind that particular SUV for almost one hundred miles, watching what I think was Shrek; and they say cell phones are distracting to drivers.

What makes people decide to have five TV's in their vehicle? Americans have gone too far with having too many good things.

I was channel surfing the other day, and it was as if I had been watching the same five shows. I surfed through 70, maybe 80, channels, and I saw cop shows, sex shows, motorcycle shows, reality shows and sports.

There are so many different variations of Law and Order, CSI, American Idol and Orange County Choppers on TV these days that you could watch them all day long and for weeks on end before seeing a repeat.

There is absolutely nothing on TV these days that we haven't seen before; TV has lost its shock value, and it has become repetitive.

I started this column by mentioning I had received a drinking tickect - make that another drinking ticket - here at Stout. It was everything I remembered it to be.

It was embarrassing, shameful, hurtful, enraging, confusing and very regrettable. Now, in this article, I have the opportunity to slander the officer who wrote me the ticket, and I have a chance to criticize the RAs who found me, but I won't. Instead, I would like to thank these people for doing their job with no regard to compassion, sensitivity, human respect and dignity.

They took my self-pride and ripped it apart, which wasn't difficult considering my level of drunkenness. I am amazed by the amount of people who have no regard for self-respect. My hat is off to those of you who can do your job without a single shred of dignity.

As this article draws to a close, I've learned a lot about myself and the people that surround me. I've learned our society likes flaky TV programming and having enough TVs in their vehicles for tailgaters to watch. I've learned my new boss has wacky ideas that are about as screwed up as me driving home and back in one afternoon. Finally, I've learned that people have lost their compassion.

Staff / *the center of the steak; faculty and staff keep things running*

These are the hard workers who are actually accessible during their office hours and get angry when none of their students utilize them. These are the professors who, if they know that you may not do well in certain evaluation environments, will work with you to find equal, yet different, methods to test you on the knowledge that you may or may not have absorbed. To these people we owe countless boxes of cigars and bouquets of freshly picked flowers.

To the classified staff, I would also like to extend a hand of thanks. Due to my other occupation, that of custodian in the Memorial Student Center, I have had the opportunity to meet many of these individuals.

They're cool. They work around the clock to clean our buildings, remove the snow and keep us warm in the winter. When things don't run smoothly, these individuals come in on weekends to mend the troubles like a mother with your favorite pair of torn jeans.

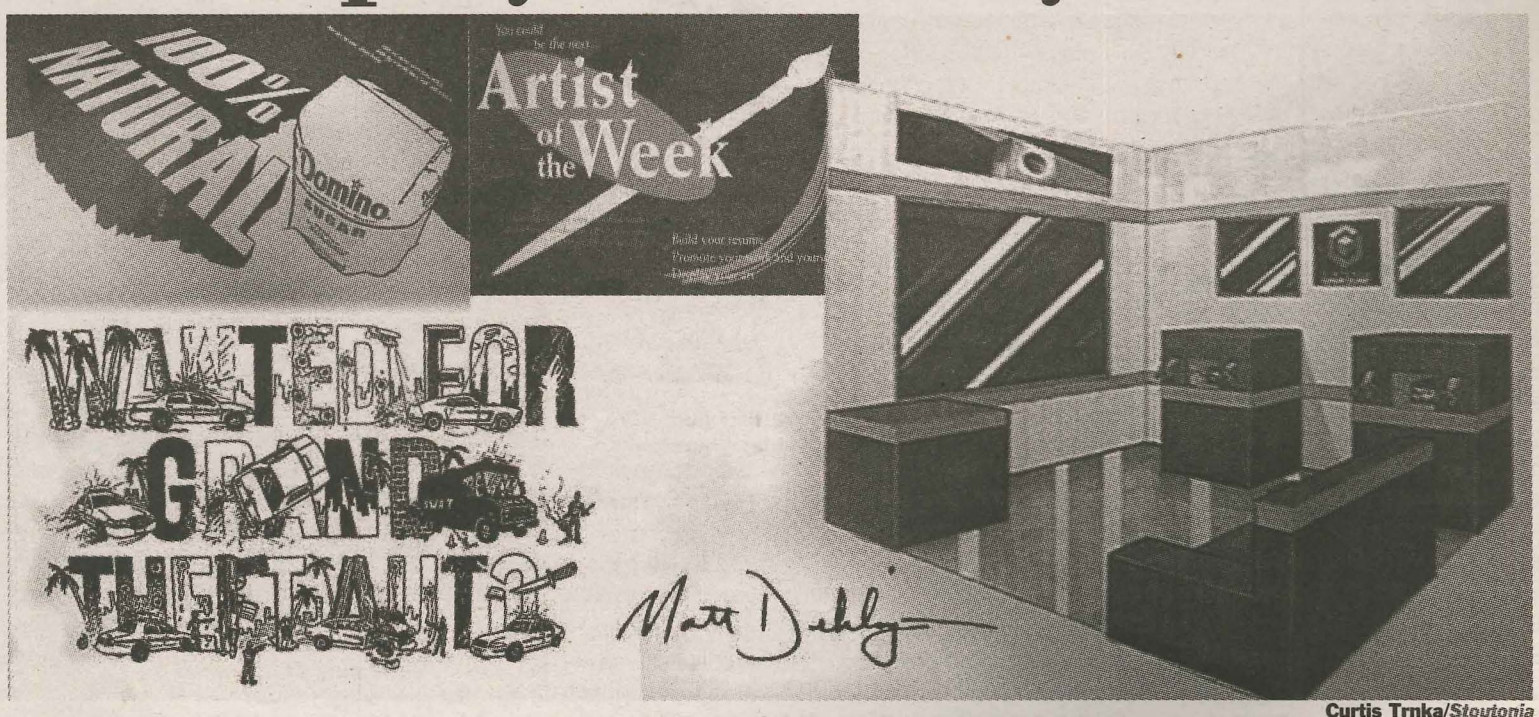
Many of them don't make much money doing what they do, and it would be very difficult to singularly support a family from what they make. But they keep working. Our buildings are clean, our grounds beautiful and, for the most part, our residence halls are warm. We should buy them each a couple of beers.

Both of these groups, wholly, positively contribute to the academic atmosphere here at Stout. Thank you.

So, this ends my three-week tirade on the Stout academic atmosphere. I'll be back next week ranting about who-knows-what. You keep reading, and I'll keep writing.

New artist displayed weekly in MSC

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer



Curtis Trnka/*Stoutonia*

Matt Dehlinger, the current Artist of the Week, has samples of his artwork featured in a display case in the Memorial Student Center. Work was submitted by students, and they were chosen to be the Artist of the Week on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Students in almost any major have a new way to express themselves on campus.

"Artist of the Week" was launched for students in mid-February of this year by the marketing team. The program is in response to a student survey revealing a desire for more emphasis on art in the Memorial Student Center (MSC).

What is considered art, and what is worthy of display?

"[I would expect to see] mostly paintings and drawings that can be easily put up for display," said Stephanie Herbert, a senior in apparel design and development.

The word "art" may conjure notions of work done only by art students; however, art covers work done by a broad spectrum of students.

"This isn't closed to non-art students," said Billy Lowe, the marketing coordinator for University Centers. "This is all about the students."

Anything that fits in a 5x5 foot display case will be accepted—drawings, sculptures, apparel or even written work. The students who enter art choose what will be displayed in the case.

"If the student defines it as art, then it can be displayed," said Lowe.

The Artist of the Week display case is located in the upper level of the MSC, between Crystal Ballrooms A and B.

Artist of the Week is not a competition and doesn't involve any judging. Display material is accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. The week's artist is responsible for setting up the display and taking it down.

"[Your art display] should be something you're proud of," said Matt Dehlinger, a senior in graphic design who is the current Artist of the Week. "It should be something you enjoyed doing."

Dehlinger has more than half a dozen projects on display including drawings, computer art and posters. Instead of displaying his models, he is displaying photographs of them.

"There is a video game theme in my [displayed] work," said Dehlinger, who finds much of his inspiration in his favorite video games such as Metroid and Grand Theft Auto.

Dehlinger's display features an assortment of course assignments that he completed at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. He says he chose to display an iMac poster he made using Adobe Photoshop because the students in his class had picked it as one of the best.

In addition to the work he is displaying this week, Dehlinger also designed the Artist of the Week poster used to identify the display case.

A few weeks of this semester remain open for students who would like to promote their work. To become an Artist of the Week, send in a brief description of your art to Lowe at lowew@uwstout.edu.

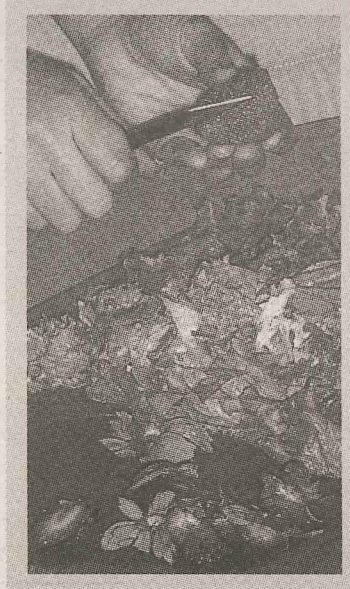
"Artist of the Week will probably be going on next semester, too," said Lowe.

Quick, healthy and simple salads with a variety of ingredients

Vegetables don't have to be the least favorite food group when they're used in these flavorful, springtime recipes

Katie Bader
Columnist

Strawberry Poppyseed Salad Recipe



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2 cups chopped spinach
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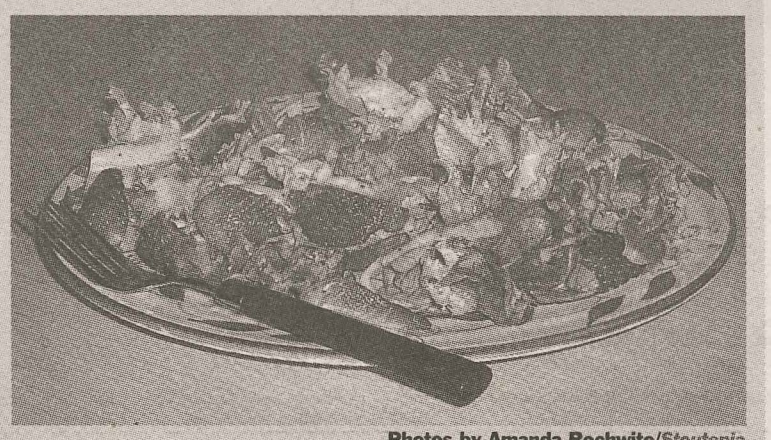


Photos by Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

If you're like most other people in the world, vegetables are not one of your favorite food groups, and salads are probably not a regular part of your diet.

Did you know you are less likely to get sick if you eat at least two or three servings of vegetables a day? This is because vegetables contain needed vitamins and anti-oxidants.

Anti-oxidants have disease-fighting properties that ward off viruses. At a time of year when it seems cold and flu season is at its highest, it is important to take as many precautions as you can.

Not only are salads good for you, salads are easy to make and can be adjusted to your particular tastes.

"My favorite salad toppings are olives, sunflower seeds, bacon bits, croutons, chicken and ranch dressing," said Alisa Craig, a junior in business.

If you're not a fan of carrots, don't add the carrots; or if you love tomatoes, add extra tomatoes. The toppings are endless for lettuce salads, from cucumbers, onions, tomatoes, carrots, eggs, bacon, asparagus or pea pods to orange slices, strawberry slices, nuts or croutons. Basic lettuce salads can come pre-made from the grocery store and do not need any preparation. Just be sure to wash the vegetables you buy.

"I eat salads for the nutrition, and they are so versatile; you can add any veggies, fruits, nuts or meats that you want," said Ami Kriho, a senior in food systems and technology.

Salads do not need to be made from just lettuce, either. You can substitute lettuce with spinach or simply make an entirely different type of salad. The possibilities are limitless. There are hot salads, cold salads, pasta salads, chicken salads and potato salads; not to mention the numerous dressings you can choose to top your salad.

Salads can provide the answer when you're looking for a quick dinner, and most can be made right in your residence hall room. All you need is a sharp knife, cutting board and a bowl, and you are set to go.

With spring break just around the corner, salads are a great way to cut down your fat intake, as long as you don't go overboard on the dressings and croutons.

This salad is very healthy for you. It is just a few ingredients and has an extra twist to the regular lettuce salad. The strawberry juices add a delicious sweet twist to the spinach. It is very easy to make.

"I made this in my dorm room, and it is very yummy," said Martha Starr, a junior in food systems and technology.

Strawberry Poppyseed Salad
2 cups chopped spinach
1 cup sliced strawberries
Poppy seed dressing
1. Toss the spinach and strawberries together in a bowl.
2. Top with desired amount of dressing.

Salad dressings are fairly easy to make and do not take many ingredients. Most salad dressings, such as Italian, use oil and vinegar or lemon juice, but when making a creamy dressing, yogurt or mayonnaise isoften used. If you're not a fan of poppyseed dressing, try this raspberry dressing instead, or just top your next salad with this sweet and creamy dressing.

Raspberry Salad Dressing
1/2 cup plain yogurt
*1/4 cup raspberries**
1-1/2 teaspoons red wine vinegar
1 teaspoon white sugar
1. In a blender, combine the yogurt, raspberries, vinegar and sugar. Blend until smooth, and refrigerate until chilled.
**Frozen raspberries can be used for fresh raspberries as a cheaper but less tasty substitute.*

Recipe continues on page 8

Achieve higher knowledge

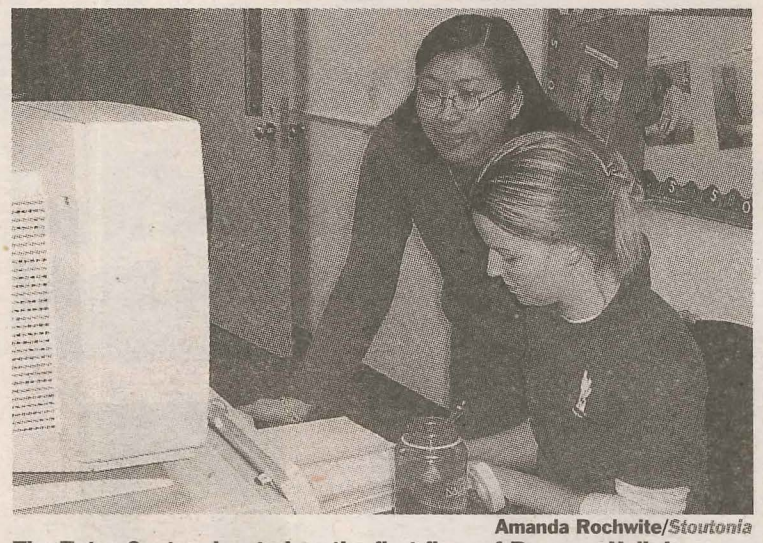
By Amy Krause
Student Life Writer

There are different avenues of help located throughout campus, and one in particular is the Tutor Center. Located on the lower level of Bowman Hall, the Tutor Center is available to students who may be struggling with a course and are interested in increasing their knowledge.

About 300 students are currently using the tutor center, which is an increase of 100 since last year's spring semester. According to tutor Tiffany Hoage, a senior in applied science, students come to improve or maintain their grades, clarify and understand concepts, get their papers reviewed and practice for exams.

A number of resources are available at the Tutor Center, as well. An on-site computer lab is there for students who wish to write papers and ask questions when needed. Along with the computers, there are resource books available for students to become better acquainted with the material they are studying.

Vicky Thomas, Tutor Center coordinator, has been involved with the center for two years and has worked to maintain and improve it. One thing, in particular, is the new course available at the center, which prepares students for the Pre-Professionals Skills Test (PPST).



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

The Tutor Center, located on the first floor of Bowman Hall, is open from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m Monday-Thursday.

Education students are required to take the PPST, which is equivalent to the ACT, and many have had difficulties with it. It is now offered because the Tutor Center accepts input from students and faculty.

Not only is the center helping students who utilize the services, but also the tutors themselves.

"Being able to enlighten others with knowledge and help them become successful, independent learners have been the most gratifying parts of being a tutor," said Hoage.

Cory Kaufenberg, a junior majoring in business, is also a tutor at the center.

"I love working here because the atmosphere is so relaxed and nice to be around," said Kaufenberg.

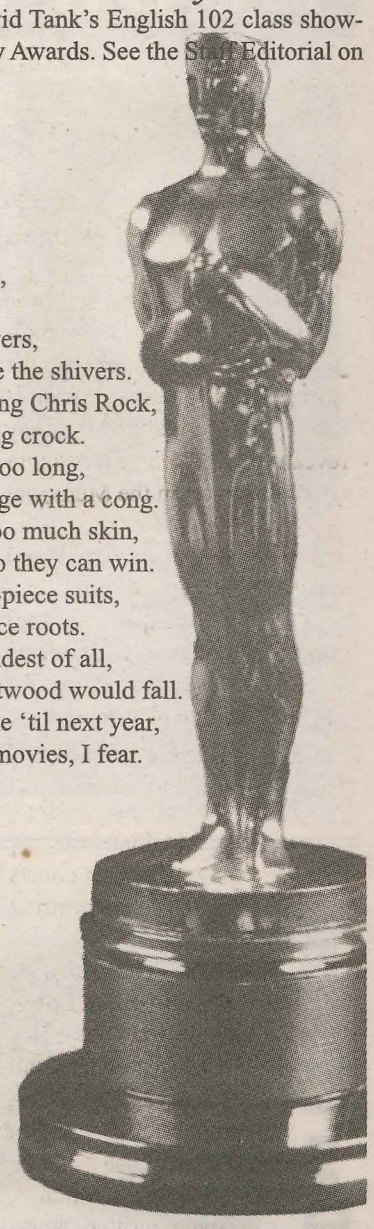
There are a number of different courses offered at the Tutor Center, and the times and courses that are available can be found online at http://www.uwstout.edu/tutor.

Hours of operation for the Tutor Center are Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. If you wish to schedule an appointment, you may stop by the center, call 232-3086 or send an e-mail to tutor@uwstout.edu.

Student poetry: Oscars

Poems in response to the Academy Awards

These poems were written for David Tank's English 102 class showing student opinion of the Academy Awards. See the Staff Editorial on Page 4 for more Oscar coverage.



Ode to the Oscars 2005
Kelly Eichman
Sophomore

Watching the Oscars is such a pain,
It's all about celebrity vain.
Down the red carpet with Joan Rivers,
Her thousands of face-lifts give me the shivers.
And then there's the humor of young Chris Rock,
His jeers to colleagues are just a big crock.
The speeches are boring and take too long,
The actors are shooed from the stage with a cong.
The women of Hollywood show too much skin,
They're whoring themselves out so they can win.
The men look classy in their three-piece suits,
Best Actor is for whom the audience roots.
The Best Picture Award is the grandest of all,
I was wishfully thinking Clint Eastwood would fall.
Now the Academy Awards are done 'til next year,
But I'll have to survive more bad movies, I fear.

My Palms are Sweaty
Stanley Williams
Freshman

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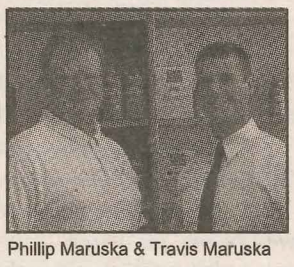
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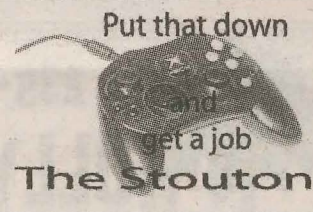

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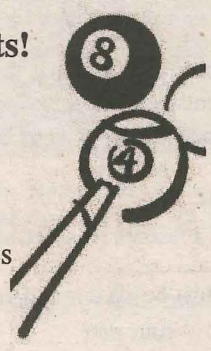
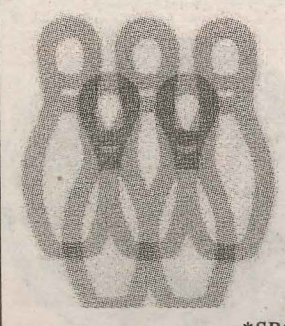


9-ball Singles-Men: Joe Oskey, Jason Leurquin, Peter Kvasnik, and David Prince
*David Prince FINISHED 3rd place (out of 38 players) **CONGRATULATIONS!**
9-ball Singles-Women: Sarah Roth finished 4th Place (out of 9 players)!
Singles Bowling: Andy Pribel finished 1st Place for singles (out of 6 bowlers)
FoosballTeam: Andrew Lister and Quinn Nofzinger finished 1st Place for Doubles
Andrew Lister finished 1st Place for Foosball Singles
Quinn Nofzinger finished 2nd Place for Foosball Singles



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"Alaska"
Carolyn Miller
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"Cadott, Wis. "
Rayan Marion
Vocational Rehabilitation
Freshman

Recipe / *Salads*

from Page 6

Pasta salad is another popular variation on the traditional lettuce salad. There are so many different recipes and types it is hard to pick just one. Be sure to refrigerate any leftovers. The broccoli can be either bought pre-chopped or, for a cheaper option, uncut.

Rainbow Pasta Salad

1/4 pkg (16 oz.) tri-color rotini pasta
10 slices pepperoni sausage
1/4 cup fresh broccoli florets
1 Tbsp. drained and sliced black olives
1/4 cup shredded mozzarella
1/2 cup Italian dressing

1. Cook pasta according to directions on package.

2. Drain pasta and rinse twice with cold water.

3. In a large bowl, combine pasta, pepperoni, broccoli, olives, cheese and dressing.

4. Refrigerate at least one hour before serving to let the flavors marinate.

Taco salads are a great way to change up your ordinary hard-shelled taco and put it in a different form. Taco salads can include sour cream, salsa, green onions or any topping you would like among the classic cheese, refried beans and lettuce.

This taco salad can be made right in your dorm room and only takes about 10 minutes. Add the toppings you would like, omit the ones you do not. Refrigerate any leftovers.

Taco Salad

1 can (8 oz.) refried beans
2 cups tortilla chips
1 tomato, diced
1/4 cup diced green onions
1/4 head lettuce, shredded
1 handful cheddar cheese, shredded
1 Tbsp. salsa
1 Tbsp. sour cream

1. In a microwave-safe dish, heat the beans in the microwave.

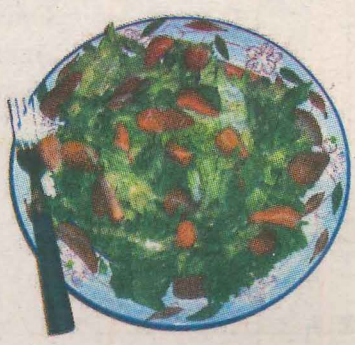
2. Meanwhile, place tortilla chips on a large plate or bowl.

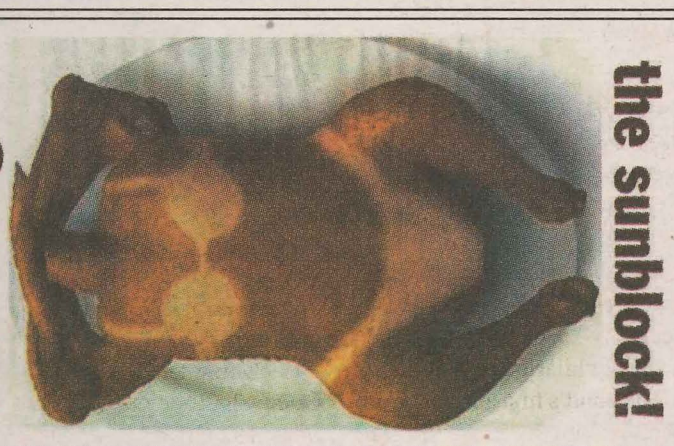
3. Spread the warmed re-fried-beans on chips. Add the diced tomato, diced green onions, shredded lettuce and shredded cheddar cheese.

4. Top with salsa and sour cream, if desired.

When you are using raw fruits and vegetables, be sure to rinse them thoroughly to rid them of any unhealthy bacteria.

With these fresh and healthy recipe ideas, salads can now easily be a regular part of your diet, and your taste buds may not even realize it is vegetables they are tasting.





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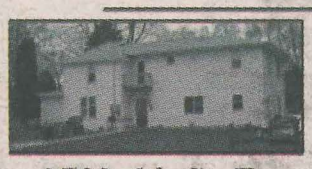

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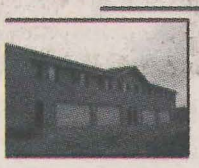

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March 3 to March 10

Thursday, March 3
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Café 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

Friday, March 4
>**Jazz Ensemble I "A Salute to the Big Bands,"** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $8 students.
>**Timberwolves vs. Bucks,** Target Center, bus departs from Library 4:45 p.m., $19 students.
>**Music: Gretchen,** Blind Munchies Coffehouse, 7 p.m., free.
>**Sculpture opening reception** by Bruce Mainquist, behind Wilson Mansion, 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, Mar.ch 5
>**Rock Fest,** Stout Adventures, Climbing wall, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., entry fee $20 students.
>**2nd Annual Dancing Through the Ages** at Dean & Sues, 2002 Midway Rd., Menomonie, registration 6:30 p.m.
>**One Drum,** Great Hall, 8 p.m., $10 students.

Sunday, March 6
>**Dragapalooza,** Great Hall, 7:30 p.m., free.
>**"Modern Times" & "The General,"** Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $6 adults.

Monday, March 7
No events scheduled.

Tuesday, March 8
No events scheduled.

Wednesday, March 9
>**Baseball at Metrodome Classic vs. Grand View College,** 11:15 a.m.

Thursday, March 10
>**Music: The Owls, The Vestals,** Rec. Center, 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

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Crowd gets punked with Local H

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

Joe Spraggon/*Stoutonia*

Local H has worked their way from a garage punk band to a regional sensation. Though their first album showed signs of a Nirvana wannabe band, their second album raises the bar.

Tom Petty once said in a song, "How about a cheer for all those bad girls; and all the boys that play that rock and roll. They love it like you love Jesus. It does the same thing to their souls."

I am in no way, whatsoever, claiming that music is equal or better than Jesus. I leave that to The Beatles.

What I'm saying is a good live show can give a great feeling; when the entire crowd is into the band and the music that they perform, when everyone knows the words and screams along. When they put down their beers and extinguish their smokes to go rock, it's a good place to be.

Last Friday, Feb. 25, at the House of Rock in Eau Claire, I had just this experience with the regional punk band Local H.

For those of you who don't know, Local H originates from Zion, Ill. and is made up of only two members, Scott Lucas (guitar) and Brian St. Clair (drums).

The obvious question here is where is the bassist? Well, for a little history lesson, after having no luck in finding a suitable and reliable bassist, Lucas installed bass pick-ups into his guitar and the sound is surprisingly good.

The two opening acts, Short and Sweet and The Drunk Drivers were good as opening acts. Neither of them caught my interest and while they were good at what they did, it just so happens that what they did was nothing.

I chatted over the noise and simply waited for the reason I was there. Then Local H took the stage.

The duo played a blister, face-melting set with a two-song encore. Featured in the set were their hits "Fritz's Corner," "Eddie Vedder," "Hands on the Bible," as well as many I didn't know.

All of them ranged from good to great. This was definitely worth the $10 cover charge. Included in the set was even a brief cover of Chicago's "25 or 6 to 4," which was simply hilarious.

The band's first album, "Ham Fisted," was nothing special, Nirvana-wannabe springs to mind. Everything after that is definitely worth checking out, especially if you enjoy punk music.

The style is familiar to fans of the genre but with a slightly different twist and with a decidedly Midwestern sense of sarcasm and wit.

Lucas's voice isn't the traditional growl, instead he can actually carry a tune, and this propels the band above many of its contemporaries.

I would take these guys over Good Charlotte or the joke that is Blink 182 any day.

Go check them out when they're back in town. My personal recommendation is their second album, "As Good as Dead."

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

Steven Yang (bottom left), Andy Hahn (bottom middle), Chris Perras (bottom right), Melvin Wener (middle right) and Anthony Wilder (top right) were the top five competitors out of 88 total players in the poker tournament held on Wednesday, Feb. 23 in the Great Hall.

Congratulations to the winner of the Texas Hold 'Em Tourney:

ANTHONY WILDER

Second: Melvin Werner **Third:** Chris Perras
Fourth: Andy Hahn **Fifth:** Steven Yang
Honorable mentions: Ben Martinelli (sixth), Chris Kolbe (seventh), Nick Lindstrom (eighth)

Changing music one drum at a time

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

Just in time for your weekend entertainment is One Drum. This seven member ensemble pounds out sounds reminiscent of the original cultures of Africa, the Caribbean, the Middle East, Australia and the Americas.

Despite their name, One Drum actually commands a plethora of ancient modern, aboriginal and one-of-a-kind percussion and string instruments.

To see their show is to become entranced by the tribal feel to their beats, as well as take a journey through the story telling and spiritual/musical conversation held between the band and the crowd.

It is said that the outcome of this conversation is unknown, but after each One Drum concert, it's said that people are definitely forever changed.

What started back in the early '90s as the Community Drummers has now taken up to traveling the world as One Drum.

One Drum now tours the country and globe, respectively, reaching points as far from home as Egypt. Yet for our enjoyment they're making a stop at the University of Wisconsin-Stout's Grandview Terrace this Saturday, March 5, at 8 p.m.

Stop by and see Roman Edirisinghe, Jahmes Finlayson, Jeff Green, Holly Haebig, Cecilio Negrón, Jr., Julio Pabón, Thacher Schmid and David Stocker do the thing they do best.

At the core of their music one can find the philosophy of One Drum, centered on the "oneness" of global music. They are a band tied to the ancient cultural origins of all music, of all cultures - the power of the drum.

They feel the drum has its own language, and with that, one may find that the majority of their sound is comprised of some type of drum be it metallic, wooden, ceramic or otherwise.

Now we know that One Drum obviously doesn't refer to the number of instruments in the band, otherwise where would the show be?

No. One Drum ties into their theory of cultural oneness; something along the lines of one drum for one voice for one people, going with the idea that all people, of all cultures are really inherently the same in their roots.

They give you a good island feel, yet naturally, given the nature of the band, blend in more traditional, native music creating a spiritual, ceremonious, reggae-like sound.

http://www.onedrum.net

One Drum, a concert sponsored by Blue Devil Productions and the Mabel Tainter Theater, brings a unique sound to the stage that takes viewers to another continent without ever leaving their seats. They will be performing in the Terrace at 8 p.m. on March 5.

Actually, nine months ago, I saw this ensemble in Milwaukee during Summerfest.

From this I can tell you to expect a variety of instruments, dances and mental and spiritual outreach to the people for whom they perform.

They make use of certain oral traditions, such as call and response and sing along.

It's not a surprise to have One Drum encourage audience participation from time to time, bringing an irreplaceable element to each show, similar to a parent baking cookies with love; that one thing that can't be picked out, but can't be denied.

If the unique and spiritual nature of One Drum commands your interest, then I suggest dropping by their Web site at http://www.onedrum.net or just stop by the show at 8:00 p.m. at the Terrace on Saturday.

Admission is free for all students, $10 for UW-Stout faculty and staff and $12 for the public. Stop by, and enjoy the show. I'm sure you've never before seen anything like it.

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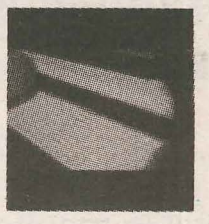

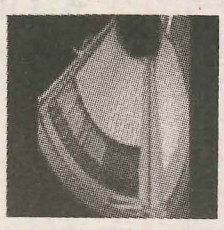

Attention all action gamers

Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

Of the most fantastic games to come out recently, Konami's Boktai 2: Solar Boy Django for the Gameboy Advance was definitely one of them.

A major game play focus lies in the Solar Gauge. Embedded on the cartridge is a small sensor that collects the sun's rays. The stronger the sun's rays, the more powerful the Solar Gauge becomes and the easier it is to finish specific tasks.

While it is possible to play most of the game without the sun, it's necessary to beat the game. It is needed to purify bosses, complete certain levels and uncover hidden items and Solar Forge weapons.

Solar Forging combines two weapons into a more powerful one, but the amount of sun, and skill with forging, determines just how powerful it will be. Solar Forging is a daunting task but it's the only way to get the strongest weapons.

The Solar Gauge can render both assistance and annoyance, since gamers could be stuck for a few cloudy days and unable to get past a certain point in the game. Artificial lighting doesn't work but the sun's rays can still be collected through windows, so there's no need to freeze outside in the current weather to play the game.

The graphics are great for a 2-D game. They're sophisticated without being too showy. The effects, such as lighting and magic, are pretty but not excessively emphasized, which allows the player to concentrate on the surroundings without being distracted.

The soundtrack, though basically MIDI, is one of Boktai 2's best features. Imagine a cross between new age and southwestern to get an idea of the overall theme. Each area has its own unique score that pulls the player into the environment, whether friendly or malevolent.

The difficulty is progressive, just how it should be. It starts out a bit confusing but it's easy to get used to, and the enemies become smarter and more challenging as the game unfolds. Even at level 99, there will still be enemies that put up a fight.

More difficult than the enemies, however, are the puzzles. Boktai 2 is riddled with them, and many of them look deceptively easy but prove to be brain numbing. They may be too frustrating for some gamers, but know that the hardest puzzles in the game are in side-quests.

The game mechanics are easy to learn. The menu system is simple and can be quickly scrolled through. There's no complicated or fancy RPG configuration, so most of what you see in the mechanics are what you get.

Leveling up is swift and even customizable. At each level, the player decides which of four attributes will receive points. It is also important to gain levels in certain weapons, enabling them to become stronger.

Inventory is limited, but a warehouse is available for storage and to prevent the spoilage of certain items from the sun. Increasing the units in the warehouse requires going through a few side-quests, but it's worth it.

There was one nuisance in the spell system in that only four spells can be equipped at a time. Because of this, spells need to be changed frequently and usually at an inconvenient time.

Overall, there's a lot more to this sunspot than meets the eye, so don't shun it for its few flaws. Boktai 2: Solar Boy Django is best for gamers who like action games or RPGs with a unique twist, but most gamers would probably find its experience an enjoyable one.

Lost: all comedic value

Comedy Central comedian falls short of good

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

Even with a promising resume of past shows, including Comedy Central, Val Kappa didn't bring home as many laughs as expected.

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

When talking about the deer in the midwest, I thought for several minutes she was talking about doors. Strike one.

After picking on an armless soccer girl, which should have been funny but came out flat, the call was made. Strike two.

Only a forced, nervous laughter came from the crowd all evening. Strike three.

Blue Devil Productions has had this uncanny ability to find extremely good comedic talent and bring them to our campus, which makes Val Kappa their first official strikeout of the year. She performed at Huffs on Wednesday, March 2.

She wasn't incredibly bad, don't get me wrong. But as a Comedy Central circuit comedian, I was left unimpressed and slightly disappointed.

As a comedian, she didn't connect with the crowd and her heavy accent (she said it was from Boston but you never can really tell) prevented most of the audience from actually understanding some of what she was saying.

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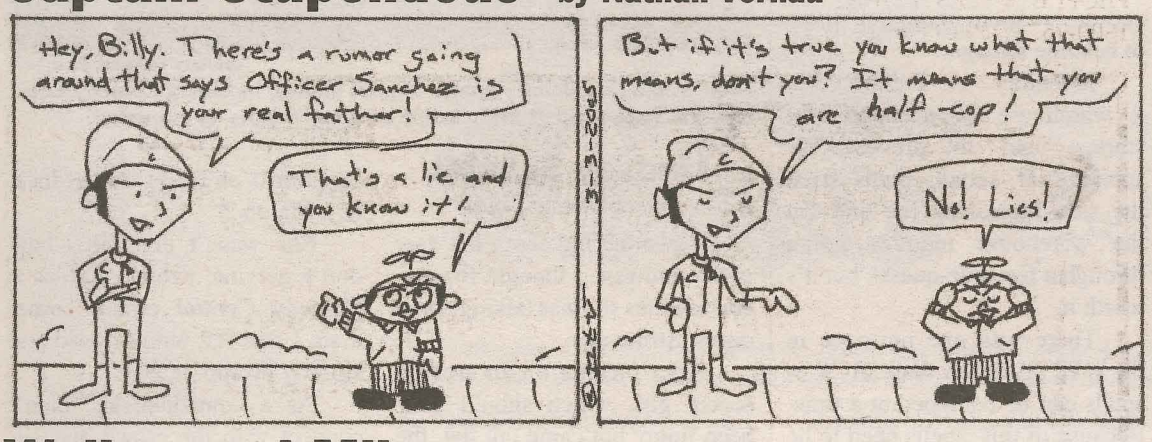

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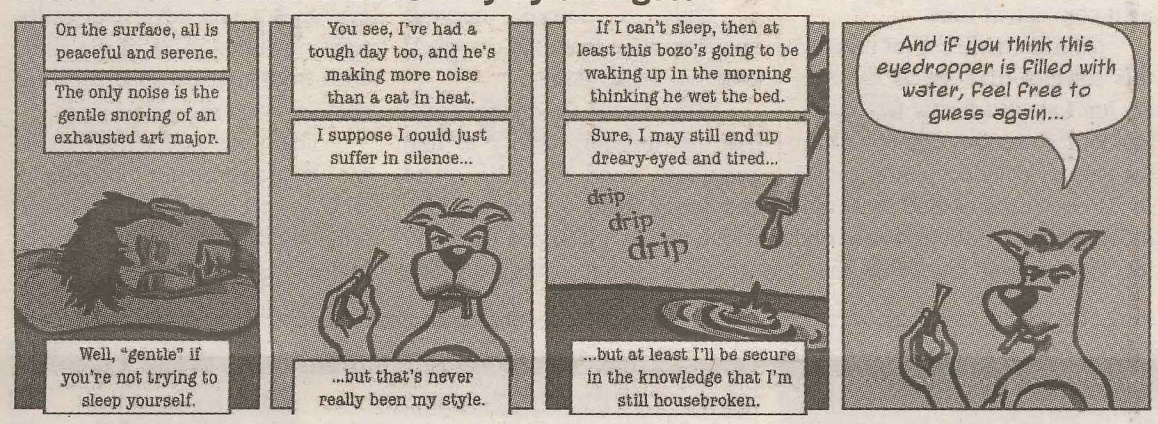

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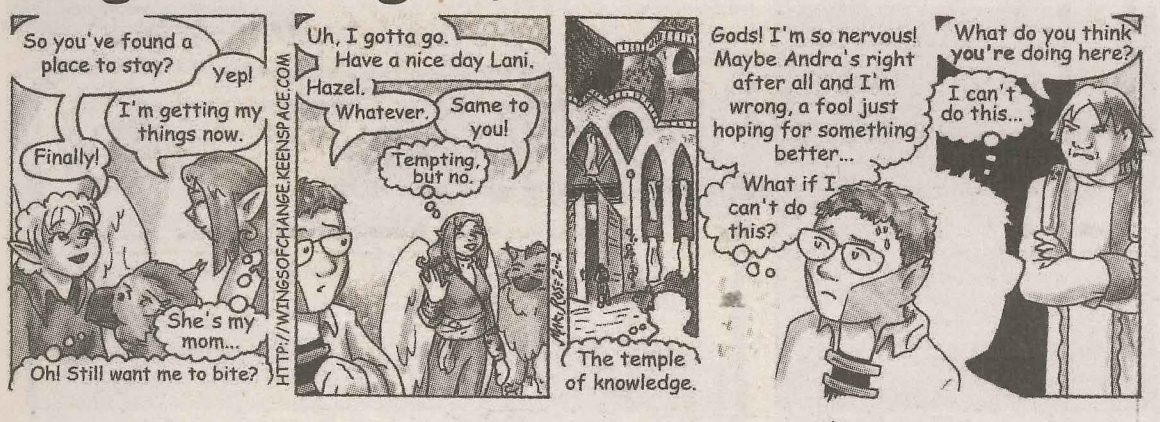

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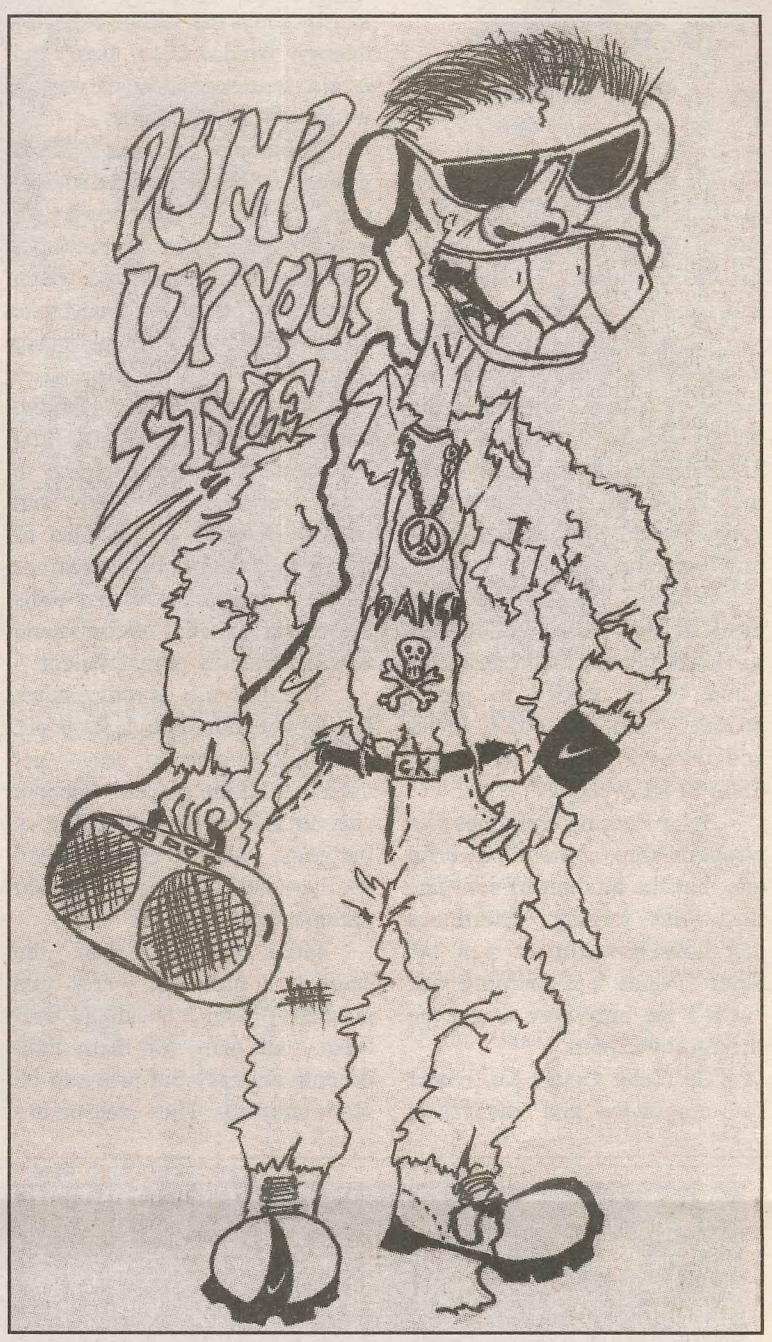

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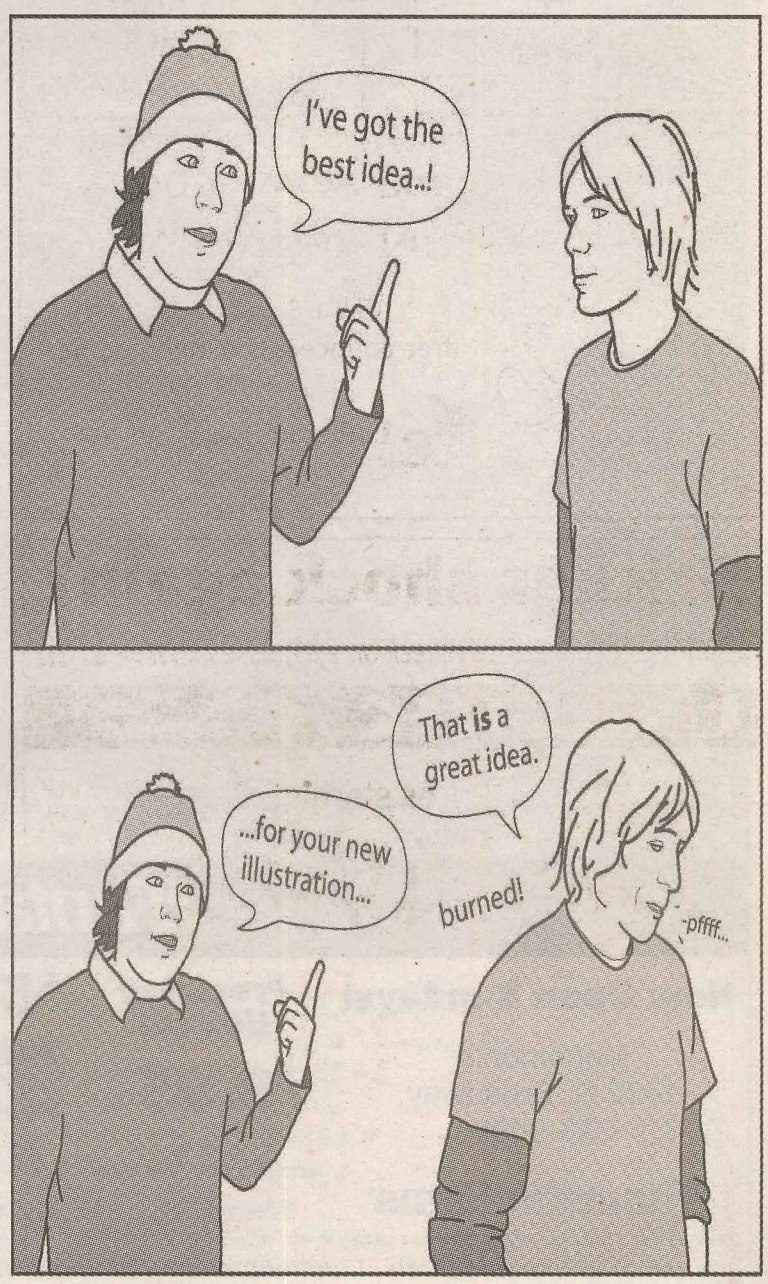

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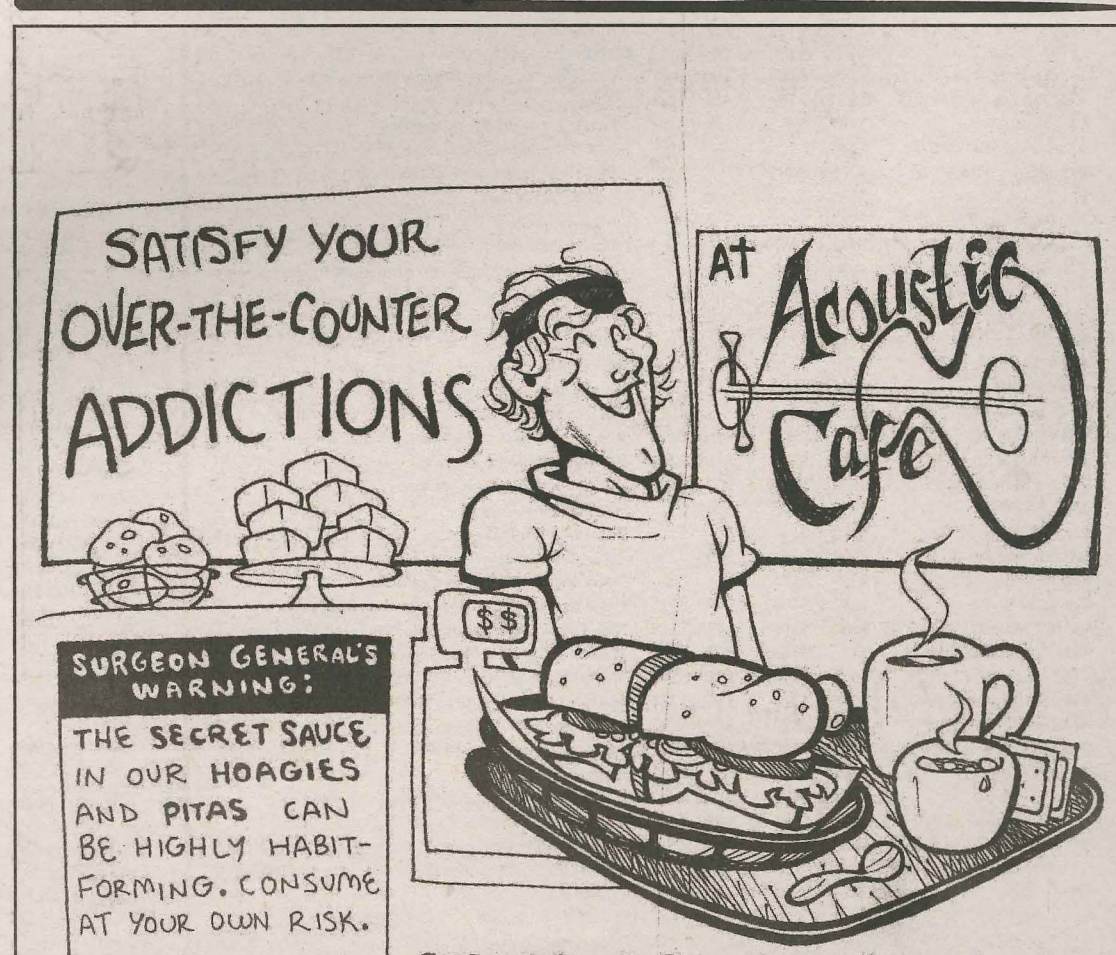

Men's soccer club kicks in spring

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Editor

While fall may be considered the traditional time for playing soccer, spring brings about many indoor soccer tournaments and events.

The UW-Stout men's soccer club practices throughout the year; they play and practice both indoors and outdoors, depending upon the season.

The spring season is highlighted with indoor tournaments and a laid back atmosphere.

The fall season is more intense, with a steady traveling roster and games throughout Wisconsin and the Midwest.

In the fall, the team has to make cuts to form the official team, but spring allows the participation of many more players. Since the spring consists of mostly tournaments, the roster does not have to stay the same for each game.

"The spring season is fun because everyone just comes to have a good time and stay in shape," said next semester's club president, Chad Deines. "We are laid back, but everyone is willing to help anyone who is looking for some pointers."

The newest addition to the club is Coach Mo Bausarto. Bausarto also serves as the club's advisor. He works on campus for telecommunications and networking.

The team is very excited to have a coach this semester, as they have been coaching themselves since the club started.

Currently, Bausarto volunteers his time with the team, but the club hopes to make it a paid position next year to ensure men's soccer will have a coach in the future.

The club recently joined a men's indoor soccer league, which will be starting March 15. The team starts the season with a bye, but will play in eight games throughout the spring.

Photo Courtesy of Stout Soccer Club

The men's soccer team has opened its spring season by holding practices in the Multipurpose Room. All are welcome to attend practice.

Games will be held on Tuesday nights at the Eau Claire Indoor Sports Center. The team carpools to Eau Claire each week.

In addition to playing in Eau Claire, the team is hoping to find some tournaments in Duluth and Stevens Point this semester. Tournaments give the team a chance to practice together in an outdoor game setting.

"We have a pretty talented group this year, " said Nick Cupery. "We are hoping to build our team up for next year."

The club does not have dues for the spring semester and are able to keep the club running with fundraisers. Last semester, they held a very successful fundraiser through Campus Promotions and Citibank. This semester, the team will be selling sweatshirts.

Practices are currently held on Mondays from 9-11 p.m. and Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Sports & Fitness Center. Practices are open to anyone of various skill levels. Females are also invited to practice with the team.

If the weather permits, the team would like to begin outdoor practices after spring break.

The team also recently played in the Govenor's Cup Tournament at UW-Stout, while they did not make it to the final game, the team had a good time.

For more information about the team, contact Logan at warrenl@uwstout.edu.

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Track team boasts top five rank

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

You may be aware that the Blue Devil track and field team is talented, but did you know that University of Wisconsin-Stout women's track and field team is currently ranked fifth in the nation?

The women's team has been on a roll, having won their past two meets.

Last week the women's team traveled to St.Olaf College for the Olaf Open and many participants beat their personal bests.

Freshman Krista Hasselquist finished first in the 20-lb weight throw and finished second in the shot put. Junior Bonnie Nutt finished second in the 20-lb and took third in the shot put at the invitational.

Sophomore Lindsay Enger took third in the 800-meter run followed by junior Laura Eysnogle.

Senior Laura Verdegan took second in the 400-meter dash and fourth in the long jump.

"Our team is the best it has been in Stout history," said Verdegan.

Her statement rings true in the sense that this is the first time that the Blue Devils have boasted a fifth place ranking.

Women's track and field does bring a lot of attention to UW-Stout and also brings All-Americans to the meets to watch the athletes compete.

"We are a fast growing success in the WIAC as well as the national level," says senior Marci Schachtner.

With nationals coming up in the next couple of weeks, there should, no doubt, be some top finishes by the Blue Devils.

Many of the women's track and field athletes have provisionally qualified for the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Indoor National Championships that will be held March 4-5 at UW-Platteville.

Schachtner has provisionally qualified for nationals in the shot put and the weight throw, while Nutt has qualified in the weight throw. Chelsea Becker qualified for the pole vault, and-Hasselquist also qualified in the shot put.

Verdegan qualified in the triple jump, high jump and the long jump and will be looking to repeat as a national champion in the triple jump.

On Feb. 22, Schachtner was named the WIAC field athlete of the week. Schachtner threw the 20-lb weight and shattered the school record with her toss of 59 feet, 2.75 inches.

The Blue Devils are looking ahead to the challenge of the WIAC and NCAA championships.

Last season the Blue Devlils finished fifth in the indoor meet and sixth in the outdoor meet.

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

The indoor women's track team is currently ranked fifth in the nation. The team is preparing for the WIAC championship this weekend.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

After a difficult season, certain members of the Blue Devil hockey team are getting the recognition that they deserve.

Junior Mike Kautz was named a first team pick for the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) and has been recognized by the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association.

Kautz finished the season with eight goals and ten assists. He also was selected to the all-NCHA academic squad. To be selected to the squad, players must mantain a 3.0 grade point average and be recommended by their head coach. Justin Huth and Jake Hemmah were also selected to the academic team.

Other players receiving recognition include goalie Mike Stone and forward Andrew Stearns.

The Facts:
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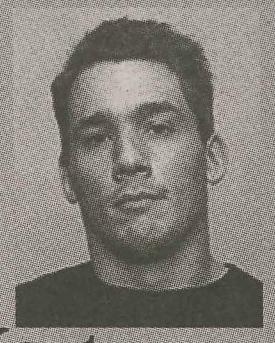
Was named first team pick to all WIAC and all NCHA teams.



Mike Kautz
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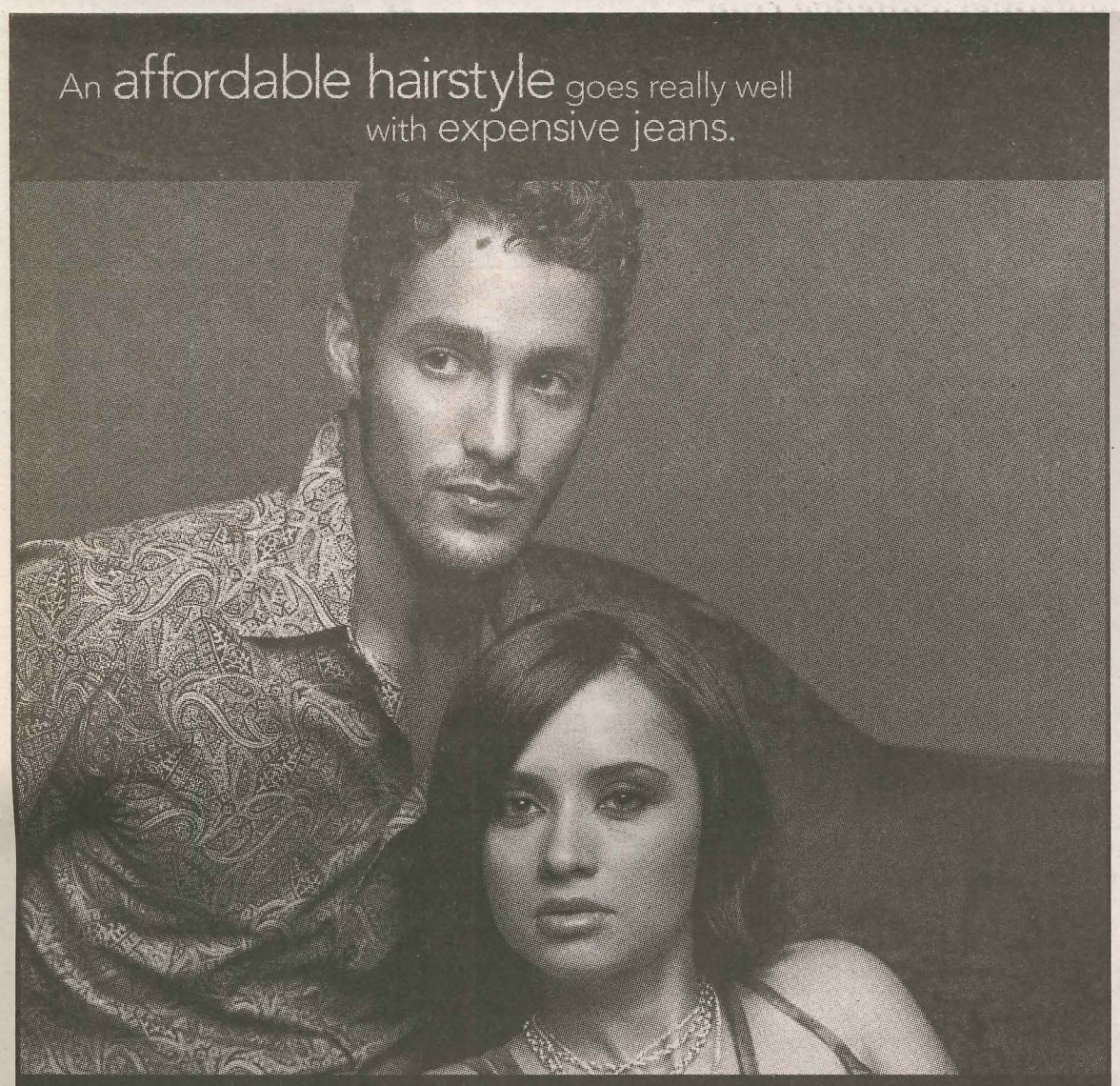

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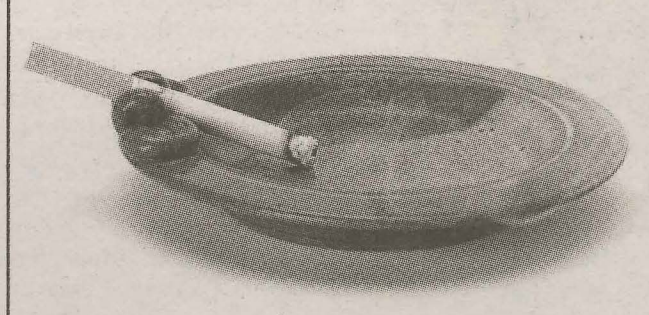


Blue Devil Scoreboard

Men's Basketball

Final Record: 13-11
WIAC Record: 8-8
Fast Fact: 2nd WIAC Upper Division Finish In a Row

First Time in 18 Seasons

Women's Basketball (22-6)

The lady Blue Devils defeated Edgewood College 70-59

Next Game:
Mar. 5 against
Ripon College

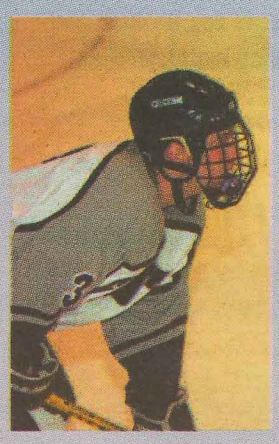
Gymnastics

The Blue Devils placed third at the John Zuerlein Invitational on Feb. 25

Next Match:
Mar. 6 at Southern Missouri State

Hockey

Final Record: 9-13-4
WIAC Record: 2-9-3
Fast Fact: Had two players named to All-NCHA team.



Blue Devils halt Edgewood

Photo by Jay Fish/Stoutonia

The lady Blue Devils won the opening round of the NCAA tournament with a 70-59 win over Edgewood College. UW-Stout kept its run and gun offense in and wore out the Edgewood defense.

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Over the past month, things could not be going better for the lady Blue Devil basketball squad. After capturing the regular season conference title, the lady Blue Devils had the chance to prove again that the University of Wisconsin-Stout is the best by winning the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) tournament title.

The lady Blue Devils won the opening round over the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, then edged out an overtime victory over the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. They just needed to muscle past the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh to be crowned tournament champions.

The lady Blue Devils, who had already defeated the Titans twice this season, managed to send them home winless again. Lindsey Erichson and Lindsey Geissler both had 13 points, followed by Erin Churchill's 11 points.

Defensively the Blue Devils remained sound, however, the offense did hit a rough spot, as neither team could score for over two and a half minutes.

When the offense came back it managed to keep the Titans at a safe distance and eventually pulled away to a score of 68-53 before the final buzzer sounded.

After the big win, head coach Mark Thomas prepared the women for their next challenger; Edgewood College, who was the Lake Michigan Conference champion and first round opponent in the NCAA tournament for the lady Blue Devils.

"I told them to sit back and reflect on what just happened and what they accomplished in the last seven days," said Thomas. "Winning a conference regular season championship, and then following it up with three wins in the WIAC tournament is very special."

The lady Blue Devils went into the game with a 22-6 record and had won 13 of the last 14 games.

Edgewood was equally potent with a record of 21-7 and a win streak that dates all the way back to January 18.

The game with the Eagles was a hard and fast game right from tip off. The lady Blue Devils stormed out to an early nine point lead with swift passing, and sturdy defense.

As the first half continued, the lady Blue Devils continued to pour on the points, but Edgewood refused to fall behind as the game remained a run and gun thriller for the fans who packed Johnson Fieldhouse.

"We have great followers at Stout and in the Menomonie community," said Lindsey Erichson. "It is great to always get a boost from our fans."

The only thing that could stop the intensity of the two teams was halftime buzzer, as the Blue Devils carried a 38-28 lead was shooting over 40 percent from the field at the half

The second half started out as a back and forth battle, combined with sloppier play and many fouls for both sides.

A Erichson jumper gave the lady Blue Devils a 49-38 lead, and it looked as if Edgewood may crack for good, but the Eagles let loose, scoring nine unanswered points and pulling themselves within two with 11 minutes remaining.

The lady Blue Devils struggled heavily during the scoring run, rushing with the ball on offense and not getting to the other end for defense.

"Our system was real sputtery tonight," said Thomas. "We had some good series, but there were times when we were too quick with the basketball on our end."

The lady Blue Devils were not about to give the lead up and went on a six point run of their own, with four points by Savanah Oeltjen and a jumper by Erichson.

The lead was protected and time getting short, but the lady Blue Devils continued to run the ball down court. While fans may have wanted to see UW-Stout burn the clock, Thomas knew that in order to win, it would take more scoring.

"I've seen teams try to run the clock down and it can come back to get you," said Thomas. "We had to stay aggressive against an aggressive team."

The lady Blue Devils kept the pressure on to the final buzzer. Kelsey Duoss led the team in scoring with 15 points followed by Lindsey Geissler, Liz Eldred and Erichson who all finished with ten points.

The 70-59 win boosted the team to a 23-6 record and advanced them to the second round of the NCAA tournament.

The lady Blue Devils will play Ripon College this Saturday. Ripon defeated Rockford College in the first round 62-56.

Green Bay signs Stout's Nick Ohman

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Nick Ohman's football career isn't done, yet.

The former Blue Devil quarterback will be traveling to Titletown to suit up for the Green Bay Blizzard, an arena football team.

The Blizzard has been in existence since 2003 and plays a 16 game schedule. The teams' first game is on April 8 in Green Bay against the Albany Conquest. Tickets for single game or the entire season can be found at http://www.greenbayblizzard.com.

Ohman's career at the University of Wisconsin-Stout was stellar.

In his four year career, he led the Blue Devils to multiple seasons of success and racked up impressive stats in the process.

Ohman is the third ranked passer in school history, with a 51 percentage completion percentage. He totaled 49 touchdowns in his career and passed for over 6,000 yards.

When Ohman wasn't making key plays with his arm, he ran the ball. He is fifth on the all-time rushing list with 1,925 yards.

In his final season with the Blue Devils, Ohman recieved first team all-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference recognition, and was named UW-Stout's most valuable player.

The Green Bay Blizzard is an arena football team that has been in existance for two seasons.

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Assault videos to raise awareness

By Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

Early Wednesday afternoon, students presented music videos at Huff's in the Memorial Student Center. These music videos are projects for a class that help to support the Campus Violence Prevention Project.

These videos were made in response to an assignment for the Sociology of Gender Roles class and the Social Problems class taught by Dr. Anne Cross, an assistant professor of social science. The Sociology of Gender Roles class mainly focused on sexual assault while the Social Problems class had a greater variety of topics relating to violence on campus.

The videos consisted of a powerpoint presentation accompanied by music. There were many different topics to the videos, although most of the topics had to do with sexual assault. Other topics included date rape drugs, alcohol and drug related violence, drinking on the college campus, stalking on campus and fraternity hazing.

In the future, some of these videos may be used for peer education. In the past, one of the videos has been used by campus organizations like the University Police to help teach other students about the reality of sexual assault. Some of these videos may also be put onto the Campus Violence Prevention Project Web site once it is up and running.

The Campus Violence Prevention Project was started with a grant from the Department of Justice. The project will implement educational and post-violence services in coordination

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Doyle changing dining

New proposal to reduce food cost

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

As a part of the cost control measures being implemented by Governor Doyle to reduce the financial burden of the UW-System, he has proposed a consolidation of dining services, said to reduce costs up to 12 percent.

This proposal would group dining services with other state agencies such as prisons and other universities in an effort to increase buying power and reduce costs. Currently, food services at the University of Wisconsin-Stout are self-operated, and control of the services is from UW-Stout staff and students.

Governor Doyle has said that the program would lower prices, reduce student food costs, and generate investment in academic programs.

Currently, the State of Wisconsin spends more than $40 million per year on food supplies. A consultant on the project has stated that negotiating contracts using the purchasing power of the entire state would produce a savings of 7-12 percent.

State Senator Sheila Harsdorf (R-River Falls) and State Representative Andy Lamb (R-Menomonie) have issued a statement opposing the plan on grounds that it would reduce the power that UW-Stout students have over their own dining services.

"UW-Stout students should not be forced to participate in a state buying pool that strips them of the benefits they currently receive," said Harsdorf. "It is not fair for these students, where food services are self-operating to subsidize state agencies. Students are already facing escalating costs without having to pick up the tab for these proposals."

Governor Doyle contends that his proposal will not harm the quality or take any money away from students.

"The new food supplies contract will not require prisoners, students and patients to eat the same food," said Marc Marotta, secretary to Governor Doyle. "Likewise, no campus or institution will be required to use lower cost, off-brand food supplies. They will have the choice to purchase lower-cost products, but will not be required to do so."

UW-Stout officials alerted Harsdorf and Lamb to the proposals, concerned that quality, contracts and cost would be negative effects of the proposal.

Proposals of this type would limit universities to one vendor, similar to UW-Stout's current contracts with Pepsi and Compaq.

"I refuse to balance the budget by pick-pocketing students in line at the UW-Stout cafeteria," said Lamb. "The last thing university administrators want is to be forced into charging students more money for fewer services and lower quality."

The Stout Student Association also passed a resolution on Tuesday night opposing the proposal according to Shawn Peter, legislative affairs director, however further information was not available from SSA before press time.

Enjoying the warm weather

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

A group of UW-Stout students enjoys the warm weather by bringing the skateboards out for the season. In order to avoid local law enforcement, they wore hockey masks, as it is not legal to skateboard on the steps of Harvey Hall.

Ron Kind coming to Stout

Eau Claire, DC – U.S. Rep. Ron Kind will appear at the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus on Wednesday, March 30 from 2-3:00 p.m. to speak with students and faculty about the reauthorization of the federal Higher Education Act (HEA) and his efforts to expand affordable higher education opportunities.

Kind, a member of the House Education and the Workforce Committee, is holding a series of "Town Hall" meetings throughout the spring to gather feedback from the faculty and students of western Wisconsin's colleges and universities on how to improve the nation's higher education system. Congress will consider changes to the bill later this spring.

"As a member of the House Education and Workforce Committee, my primary focus is to expand and enhance educational opportunities so that students have the resources they need to succeed in the classroom and ultimately in the workforce," said Rep. Kind. "As Congress considers changes to the Higher Education Act this year, it is important that I hear from students, faculty and parents so we can all work together on this vital legislation."

Congress passed the Higher Education Act in 1965 to provide all Americans with greater post-secondary educational opportunities. The act authorizes the federal government's major student aid programs, including Pell Grants and Perkins Loans, as well as other programs providing teacher training services, direct institutional aid, and support services for disadvantaged students.

Kind's campus visits will follow his trip to China, where he is currently exploring China's aggressive investment in education and their emphasis in math, science and engineering programs. Kind has said the U.S. needs to put greater emphasis on student achievement in these areas in order to maintain the competitive edge over other countries that have gained ground on the U.S. in math, science and engineering fields.

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Friday 37 / 18 Partly Cloudy
Saturday 39 / 20 Partly Cloudy
Sunday 43 / 27 Partly Cloudy
Monday 46 / 38 Partly Cloudy
Tuesday 49 / 35 Few Showers
Wednesday 49 / 32 Partly Cloudy
Thursday 47 / 31 Partly Cloudy

By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Citations for March 3-21
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Real action in Menomonie
On March 5, an officer was dispatched to 5th Street West to reference a male refusing to leave a residence. The officer was informed that the male owns a gun and was making death threats. The officer was joined by another officer and a search commenced. The suspect was found walking south on 5th street. When the suspect saw the marked car he turned around and started walking north and was cornered by the other officer. The suspect stopped and was ordered to the ground by the officers with duty weapons unholstered. The suspect was searched and taken into custody.

Dead batteries suck
On March 5, an ONYX employee called the police about a car blocking a dumpster. The officer located the residence of the student and made several attempts to reach the student to have the car moved. With no success in reaching the student, a tow truck was called to remove the vehicle. The officer noticed that the vehicle had already been issued a parking ticket. The student called later in the day stating that the battery had died. The officer told the student that he had the option to appeal the ticket.

Just plain yucky
On March 10, two men, ages 35 and 45, were reported to be hanging out in the library for several days and nights. It was stated that the men had been looking up porn on the computers. On March 8, a complaint was made that the men gestured with pelvic thrusts towards a female student as she walked past. Officers contacted the men and asked them to leave. The men were from Pennsylvania.

More yucky
A female student reported that five pairs of her underwear were stolen on March 10. The underwear was in a dryer in North Hall. The dryer also contained pants, shirts and bras, all of which were left. The student stated that no one was in the room when she left and other dryers were operating.

Stout has gotten creepy lately
Officers were dispatched to the Applied Arts Building on March 19 to reference a suspicious person. A faculty member went into the 3rd floor men's room and his entrance startled a man. The male took off walking towards Micheel's Hall. The faculty member recognized the man and knows he is not a student. The man appears to be staying in the building, in the band practice rooms, overnight. The faculty and students have been made aware of the presence of this man and were advised not to go to the practice rooms alone. The police identified the man and verified that he is a homeless person.

Music /*videos*

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with other campus and regional services to reduce overall violence and to provide better outreach to victims.

This would cover programs such as pamphlets for prevention that are currently put out by the University Police. The new program will also make a large effort to get information out to students through peer delivery, making the information easier to digest for students that might be apprehensive about going to the counseling center or police.

"These students have a different perspective than a sociologists' point of view. They can better relate to other students," said Cross.

These videos will be done each year and hopefully will be used by campus organizations to educate people about violence.

In addition to peer delivery, much of the information will hopefully be moved online, so that students who may have questions regarding services can access information at any time. This will increase education by making information accessible, and also making the information available immediately for victims, so they can find out where to go and what to do if they are assaulted.

Increased awareness of the programs will allow women to better educate themselves about sexual assaults and hopefully prevent them from becoming victims, but also to give them resources to use if an assault should happen.

The research from the Department of Justice suggests that there is an average of four women out of every 1,000 who are raped during a school year time period at a university. Based on the population of UW-Stout, there would be an estimated 100 to 140 rapes per school year. Four rapes were reported in calendar year 2003 to University Police, suggesting that many of these assaults go unreported.

Hopefully, as people become more educated about sexual assault, more people will begin to report it which will start a decreasing trend of sexual assault. "We are hoping that our numbers go up before they go down," said Lisa Walter, chief of university police. "[This would] show us that the program is working, and [victims] are reporting assaults."

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NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Mark your calendars to attend the Optimal Health Fair on Thursday, March 31 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Sports & Fitness Center. Visit over 70 tables of vendors promoting massage therapy, fitness club memberships, personal training, nutrition consultation, blood pressure, body comps and various healthy food samples from local restaurants. Enter to win prizes including a mountain bike, food gift certificates, T-shirts and more. Following the health fair is Peter Vogel speaking on "What's your Kilamanjaro?" in the Great Hall, 3-4:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. You may also work out with Peter in the Health & Fitness Center from 7-8:00 p.m. and get all your questions about body building answered from his years of personal training and fitness expertise. Please visit the website: http://ssda.uwstout.edu/healthfair.htm. for more details about attending vendors and links to Peter Vogel's credentials. This annual event is sponsored by Optimal Health, Stout Student Dietetics Association and American Marketing Association. Please contact Dean Sankey @ x2258.

For students only - Inter Group Dialogue begins next week! The Inter Group Dialogue is offered to help you better understand yourself in relation to the world around you. The program will focus on social group identity, diversity awareness models, film discussion, and active listening experiences, and is co-facilitated by students. Students who want to participate in this activity may choose one of two weekdays; Wednesday, March 30 through May 4 or Thursday March 31, through May 5. Sign up by 4 p.m. on Weds, March 30 at the SOC desk, lower level, Memorial Student Center. All sessions meet from 4:40-6:30 p.m. This is a six-week series of conversations designed to assist you in gaining a more personal understanding of differences, and is being offered by the Involvement and Leadership Center. There is no fee to participate other than the time commitment to complete the program. Students need to attend all six sessions. A certificate of program completion will be available for students at the end of the dialogue experience. An assessment/survey is also part of the experience. Questions about Inter Group Dialogue should be directed to Mary McManus mcmanusm@uwstout.edu, x-2503, Involvement and Leadership Center.

Attention: pop culture, random fact buffs, and students who want money. Think Fast, a fast paced interactive trivia game, is coming to Stout Thursday, March 31, 2005, in the Great Hall at 8:00 p.m., team sign-up starts at 7:45 p.m. Teams of four to five students will compete to win the top prize of $1,000. Additional door prizes will also be awarded. Students should present their student ID at check in. For more information contact Emma Chambers at 232-1937 or chamberse@uwstout.edu.

The Western Wisconsin Renewable Energy Cooperative (WWREC) filed an application in the county of Dunn seeking rezoning of it's Hay River property to allow for the construction and operation of an ethanol production plant. "The Cooperative remains strongly committed to the production of ethanol; a clean, renewable energy source that will reduce our dependency on foreign oil,' said Paul Harrison, WWREC Presdient. "The Hay River plant also means hundreds of thousands of dollars in investment in Dunn County, and new, good paying jobs."

UW-Stout's Colleges Against Cancer student organization is hosting an American Cancer Society Relay for Life to be held April 16 and 17 in the Multipurpose Room of the Sports and Fitness Center. The opening ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Lindsey Nettesheim at nettesheiml@uwstout.edu.

A high-tech electronic lectern is the result of a project that began nearly a year ago, involving the University of Wisconsin-Stout's Vocational Rehabilitation institute and Spectrum Industries, Inc. of Chippewa Falls. This lectern exceeds all accessibility standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act and sections 504 and 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and also accomodates those without disablities.

L.A.U.G.H. week will be held from March 28 through April 1 at UW-Stout. This event is a part of Hmong awareness week and Strength in Numbers; the fourth annual Women's Empowerment Festival. A variety of festivities will be held all week. For more information, contact Anderson Perryman at ssadiversity@uwstout.edu or Nhia Yang at yangnh@uwstout.edu.

A man pleaded guilty in a Chester County, Pa. court to unauthorized use of a vehicle. He had apparantly stolen the car from a service station needing repairs and fixed it. When he was in a drive through and the real owner saw her car, she confronted him, and he sped off. He returned shortly to try and convince her to sign the title over to him since he had invested so much time into reparing the automobile.

UW-Stout Health Fair

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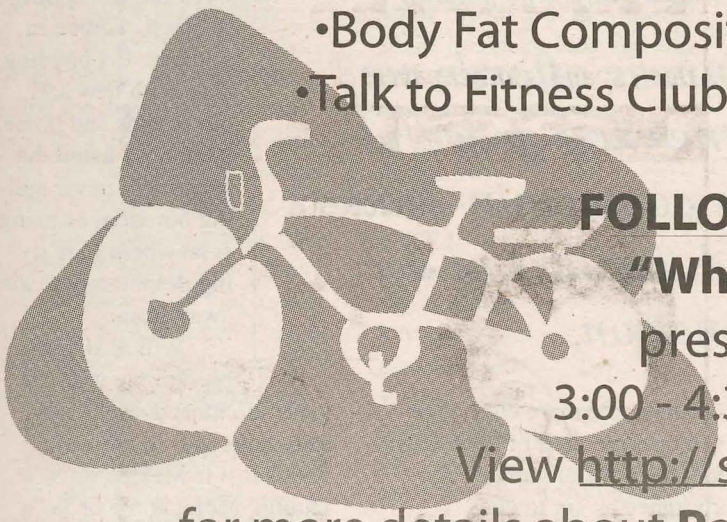

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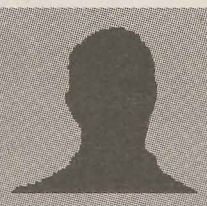


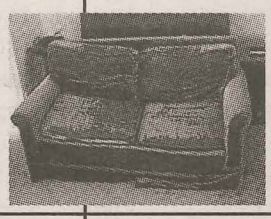
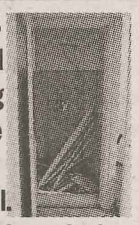
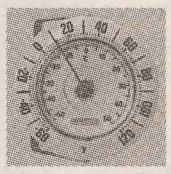
Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

A Calendar Look at the Two Types of
Spring Break '05

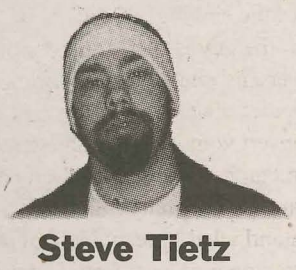
Florida Version

10 It's so good to be done with school. We start our drive to Florida in 24 hours; guess I'll start packing in 23 hours.	**11** I forgot half the stuff I was going to bring. I should have packed sooner than 20 minutes before we left.	**12** Let's drive... brilliant idea.	**13** After a 26 hour drive a hot tub feels great.	**14** Mother Nature loves me.	**15** Got drunk at Disney World.	**16** I saw palm trees today and thought about taking a nap underneath them.
17 Went to a casino; Black Jack dealer schooled me.	**18** Florida's own Leinenkugel.	**19** Our Spring Break is ending, and we have to start our 26 hour drive back. Screw it, we are so going to speed this time.	**20** Let's drive... Brilliant idea.	**21** Finally got back home. Sleeping in my own bed was so good I just slept through all my classes. Screw it. I pay them.	**22** Actually went to class today, and I realized that I missed the start of my fourth quarter P.E. course yesterday.	**23** Saw a map of Florida and cried.

Menomonie Version

10 It's so good to be done with class. Think I'll veg for a couple of days. 	**11** Mmm... couch	**12** Hit a giant pothole on the way to work today. Then at work I had to help an old lady. Hit the same hole on the way home.	**13** Good thing I like to smell. The shower broke. 	**14** Mother Nature hates me. 	**15** Got drunk at The Buck, The Flame and at home.	**16** I saw trees today and wanted to burn them for heat.
17 Madness and drinking may begin.	**18** Still drinking Still watching. Still need a life.	**19** Hit that same freakin' pothole again. Why do I work on Saturday's? Screw it. I quit.	**20** First day of spring my ass...	**21** Used up all of my money. Smooth move quitting my job. To make myself feel better, I slept thorugh all my classes.	**22** Actually went to class today. Met a guy who reminds me of Jeff Foxworthy. Yeah, it was a bad day overall.	**23** Started the weekend early this week. I figured I deserved it.

Beer, atomic wedgies and dead presidents



Steve Tietz
Columnist

What happens when eight college males go home for spring break because they're too poor to go anywhere else? Well, one could imagine something to the tune of women, the Beansnapper Mudslide, atomic wedgies, enough dead presidents to put Donald Trump to shame and three times as much beer as a house party at UW-La Crosse.

Many students will be sharing their distorted tales of spring break this week, and most of them will be undoubtedly riddled with half-truths and blurred moments of blissful chaos. For those of you who made the pilgrimage to spring break holy lands only to come back with horrible headaches, bad sunset pictures and the potential of having contracted a disease only properly pronounced in Pig Latin, my hat is off to you. To those of us who spent their week wasting away in hometowns smaller than an ant hill, I am sure you're more aware now of why you go to college and why you should never ever squander another spring break.

To steal the line from the MasterCard people: sleeping twelve hours every day and only seeing daylight three times in a week - priceless. My spring break was painfully boring, and I would have traded it for a Tequila Sunrise had it not been for my unfortunate run in with the UW-Stout donut patrol.

But having no choice other than to wallow in eastern Wisconsin distain, I made the best of it. Our daily activities didn't change much from our weekend activities at UW-Stout: video games, movies, beer games, loud music and attempts to be physically active.

I visited my local Gold's Gym a few times because I still have a membership there, much to my dismay. I love weight lifting, but when one has a week to do nothing they should heed the call as I did.

We rallied on a Tuesday to make something of our week by going to a gentlemen's club, known as Beansnappers, where the entertainment is pleasant and embarrassing. I have listened to Chris Rock many times and his words of "No sex in the champagne room" are especially true if you know half the ladies.

Having not actually participated in the Beansnapper mudslide or the atomic wedgy I can tell you that the sight of a college male with his head strategically placed between the legs of a certain talented, very nude entertainer while getting water dumped down the back of his pants is absolutely hilarious.

"My job as a bouncer affords me the privilege of witnessing graceful acts of stupidity by our community leaders and the delightful displays of a sex driven nation."

On St. Patrick's Day there is nothing more disturbing than watching a grown man puke up green beer tainted pizza. I hold a part-time job as a bouncer at a bar in Appleton, Wis. known as The Bar. My job as a bouncer affords me the privilege of witnessing graceful acts of stupidity by our community leaders and the delightful displays of a sex driven nation.

I hail from the small town of New London, Wis. or more affectionately known as New Dublin during the week of St. Patrick's Day. My hometown consists of a mere eight thousand people, half of them Irish, and the pubs outnumber the churches by six to one.

The streets are painted with green shamrocks, the parade rivals that of some major cities and the beer tent is as long as a football field. St. Patrick's Day is a bit of a big deal in my hometown. If I were 21 or Irish, I might have participated in the activities, but since I am neither, I believe St. Patrick's Day to be an excellent excuse to avoid my hometown.

My spring break ended with the drive to UW-Stout and writing this article. Having three hours to reflect on my break, I have come to the conclusion that staying home was both delightful and painful.

I enjoyed the stockpiling of sleep, women in my face, the bonding time with new and old friends and home cooking. I hated the seemingly never ending boredom of being somewhere I am trying desperately to get away from.

Will next year present me with the same circumstances? I can only hope not. In any case, whether it is Mexico or New Dublin, Menomonie or Jamaica our spring breaks will be remembered for everything they were, everything they weren't and everything they should have been.

Ethanol: Not as friendly afterall

Tim Kreuger
News Editor

On Monday, March 21, the Western Wisconsin Renewable Energy Cooperative filed an application in Dunn County to have the Hay River property that it owns re-zoned for the operation of an Ethanol plant.

Ethanol is alcohol derived from corn, also known as grain alcohol; this is a form of alcohol we all know well, as we tend to drink fair amounts of it.

However, this ethanol plant is not intended to produce the drinkable kind, it is intended to produce the additive that creates E10, a form of gasoline that contains a 10 percent blend of Ethanol.

While renewable energy is vastly considered to be a positive advancement for our country, we must learn now that ethanol is not a positive advancement, and for the better of all of us in Dunn County, we must say no to the Hay River Ethanol plant.

The production of ethanol is not a friendly process, it is a highly energy intensive production that does not yield net energy, and is very damaging and dangerous to the local communities.

Proponents of E10 and its greater blend, E85 which requires specially modified cars, cite that an increase in the use of ethanol will help reduce our dependence on foreign oil. Simply adding in 10 percent grain alcohol into our gasoline will not simply reduce our oil consumption by 10 percent.

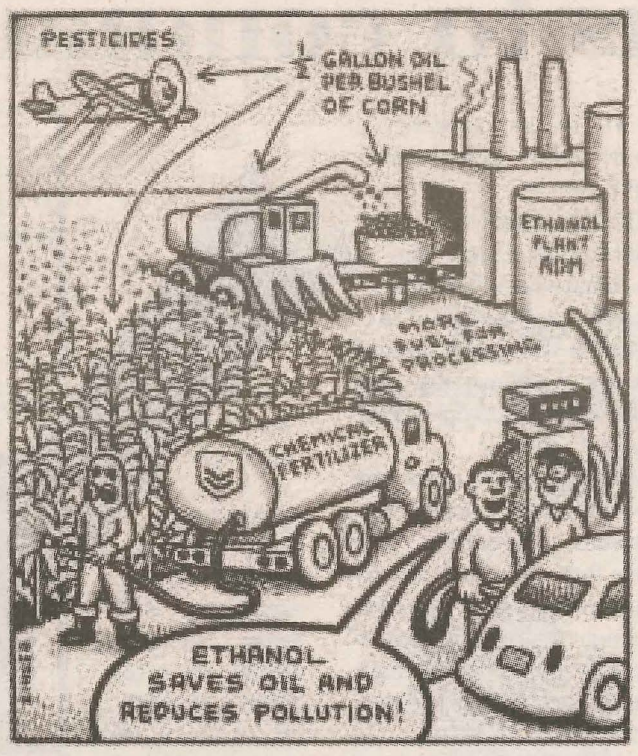
Ethanol does not contain as much energy as gasoline per volume, therefore it does not give a vehicle as much power as 100 percent gasoline would. In my personal car, a 4-cylinder with a manual transmission, I typically get 30-33 miles per gallon on straight 87 octane gasoline; however, I have only seen 26 miles per gallon at best when using 89 octane E10 blend.

This means that my car is using 15 percent more fuel in total while running on E10, therefore eliminating the idea that we are using less oil, as my car is using 5 percent more fossil-fuel based gasoline when running on E10 blend, and simply burning the E10 with no net power.

In addition, E10 does not arrive free. Corn must be farmed, using a variety of fossil fuels to power the tractors in the fields, and the trucks to haul the product to the production facility. Pesticides are also used on the fields, draining harmful inorganic chemical compounds into the water supplies that we drink from.

The plants that transfer corn into ethanol, such as the one being proposed for Dunn County, are also dangerous.

Consider this news piece from a typical ethanol plant accident in New South Wales, Aus.; "…Hundreds of workers ran for their lives after the



10:10 a.m. blast, which rocked areas up to 25km away and sparked a huge fire that sent flames and black smoke shooting 100m into the sky. The roof was blown off the ethanol tank and cars parked 60m away across the road had their tail lights melted…"

Keep in mind that the proposed Hay River plant location is very near Lake Tainter, and only approximately seven miles from Menomonie. This places this facility upstream of the water supply for Menomonie, as well as too close of a proximity for safety in the event of a chemical accident.

I am not advocating that this plant be moved, I am completely opposing the production of ethanol and any further creation of production facilities.

This is not merely a case of the "not in my back yard" syndrome, this is a case of stopping the myth that Ethanol will solve our worldly problems.

Alternative energies are wonderful ideas, however there is nothing that will be able to replace the 20 million barrels of oil we Americans consume each day.

Curbing consumption is the only method to solving our problem, and a complete and thorough re-training of the way we live is a long way off.

In the mean time, please write or call Francis Eiseth, chair of the Dunn County Board's Planning, Resources, and Development Committee at (715) 235-2994 and tell him that you oppose the WWREC's application for the Ethanol plant.

Letting my burning desire lead my life

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

I have a burning desire; a desire that I would do anything that was right to get my hands on.

The desire has no shape or form, no name or particular subject behind it. Yet it burns within the depths of who I am and who I want to be, and with every day that passes, I can feel the fire it creates spreading.

This desire has people talking about it when I'm not there. You can see it when you look at me, when I smile, when I laugh, even when I cry. My desire is the pushing force behind every move I make.

On the days when I feel like I keep taking two steps back before I'm allowed to move one forward, this desire spreads like a disease in my mind.

It allows me to walk into a restaurant and start singing, "You've Lost that Loving Feeling" by the Righteous Brothers if for no other reason but to get myself to smile.

It shows me that even though the right thing isn't always the easy way, it's the best way. Even the worst of lies can become the best of truths when you tell the truth about them.

From where does this desire come?

I don't know if I could limit it to any one person. I know my mom is the one that lit the fire in me long ago and the one that breathes life onto it now when it simmers.

I know that shame and defeat has strengthened it so that it has become unbreakable. I know that desperation and sorrow have been consumed by it as it only becomes stronger when they try to destroy it.

My desire isn't something you can contain in a Rubbermaid container or in a single room. In fact, I doubt if the entire world would be able to stop my desire if they tried.

I've found that the best way to live my life is dedicating it to this simple cause, to this burning desire that I feel in my heart and in my soul.

I'm not talking about God, or fate or anything religious. I'm simply talking about that unseen force that feeds off of negativity and burns it into something simplistically beautiful.

My burning desire is my goal to succeed at everything I do. It is to conquer the unconquered, to love those who feel no love and to create beauty where only ugliness lies.

> *"My desire is the breath in my lungs and the love in my heart. It's my ability to smile when I want to cry and to cry without the guilt of tears."*

My burning desire is to wake up each morning, look at myself in the mirror and think, "Damn, you good looking thing, don't you ever die on me!"

It's to wake up at the crack of dawn just to see the way the sun creates a ripple of colors through the crisp winter air.

My desire is the breath in my lungs and the love in my heart. It's my ability to smile when I want to cry and to cry without the guilt of tears.

There are days when I can't see the flames, but I can feel their heat, and the heat is too hot to allow me to stop my pursuit of always being happy but never being satisfied.

My burning desire makes me completely fearless and leaves others completely breathless.

Find your burning desire. It could be winning a gold medal, or it could be making those around you laugh and smile. But whatever it is, let that passion, that desire, consume who you are, and never let it go.

I think you'll find that your burning desire will lead you to the person you have always wanted to be.

My Spring Break

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Spring break was fun. What a generic statement; it's like something you'd type in the first grade when asked to do a report on what you did over a break from school. I'm afraid I must apologize for beginning my article this way. Spring break was quite enjoyable for me, but I won't stoop down to the level of saying that it was "fun."

I suppose now that I've made it seem as if my spring break was a good time, all those reading this must want to know what I actually did. I've built up some sort of anticipation towards what caused my spring break to be so good, and I'm delaying the explanation purposely. This is all due to the fact that, believably, I did absolutely nothing over spring break. I'm serious about that; I didn't really do much of anything.

But please, I beg of you, don't misunderstand what I'm getting at. This isn't going to be one of those overdone "Your life is what you make it, and fun can be found anywhere with anyone" messages regurgitated off of a Hallmark card into print. At least, that's not what I'm going for. What I really want people to know is that sitting around all day and enjoying barely having to sit up in that time is an incomparable experience.

It's almost equivalent to watching Dracula fight hordes of planet of the apes actors on top of the sinking Titanic, all while some guy is walking around serving cheese curds. For me it was, anyway. I suppose you can insert your own ultimate fantasy metaphor into that last sentence, and you'll pretty much understand what I mean. Not having to worry, at least for a few days, about really anything, was something I badly needed.

I woke up late, watched reruns of MacGyver and ate Girl Scout cookies. After I had some dinner, I would usually take a nap. After all, the stress of eating so much really took a lot out of me. Then I'd wake up and maybe catch that SNL episode that MC Hammer hosted and stay up late eating Macaroni and Cheese.

That's not all that I did, though. Don't get me wrong, that was most of what I did, but not my break in its entirety. I hung out with friends and had the occasional video game related diversion, but for the most part it was pure unadulterated "Matt-does-whatever-he-feels-like" time. Those of you that went on trips, good for you. I'm glad you got to get out of your hometowns and have some fun. But I, as usual, have my own way of doing things, and spring break is no exception.

A campus to community connection

By Marta Peters
Student Life Writer

Bingo isn't just for senior citizens anymore. Many University of Wisconsin-Stout students who are active in Stoutreach are beginning to realize this after playing a few games at the Moose Lodge in Menomonie.

Stoutreach, a campus organization that strives to bring the campus and community together through volunteer and involvement activities, organized the event, and it has been a success.

For Stoutreach and the Moose Lodge, Bingo night is unique because students aren't required to volunteer, although they may to do so if they wish, but most of all they are encouraged just to come and play and become a part of the residential community of Menomonie.

"I went to the Bingo night last semester, and it was a lot of fun," said Kurt Bowen, a senior in hotel, tourism and restaurant management. "The looks on the people's faces who are not used to college students attending bingo night was pretty cool."

The next Bingo night for students and community residents will be held on March 31 at 8 p.m. and the games usually last until 10 p.m.

Though some may be hesitant to play a game that seems to have become a bigger past time with people of an older age, it is apparent through the stories of students that have attended Bingo night that the experience is a fun one.

Members of the community are always willing to lend a blotter or have conversation with students that come, and as a result students that have played at Bingo night return with interesting stories they wouldn't have had the chance to hear had they not attended.

In order to play there is a small fee of $2.50, but the cost includes about ten games. Cash prizes for winning a game of Bingo range from $20 to $100, but if there is more than one winner the prizes must be split between one another.

Stoutreach has also considered the needs of the local college student and has provided prizes such as gift certificates for hotels, restaurants and drinks.

"The Involvement and Leadership staff are great in managing and promoting this fairly new event," said Sandi Meinsen, community development coordinator, who works with Stoutreach.

Anyone looking for information about the upcoming Bingo night can contact the Involvement and Leadership desk in the Memorial Student Center.

The Moose Lodge is located at 720 19th Avenue East in Menomonie, Wis.

Photo Illustration by Steve Poole
The Moose Lodge will be holding a Bingo night on March 31 at 8:00 p.m. The event was organized by the Stoutreach program to bring the campus and community closer.

Mouth-watering meatless meals perfect for vegetarian diets

Going on a vegetarian diet can prove to be healthier, cheaper, more diverse and better for the environment

Katie Bader
Columnist

What do Thomas Edison, Madonna, Steve Martin, Albert Einstein and Elton John all have in common? They are all famous vegetarians.

Many students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout have decided to eat a diet that omits meat. They have realized meat does not need to be present in every meal for it to taste delicious and be healthy.

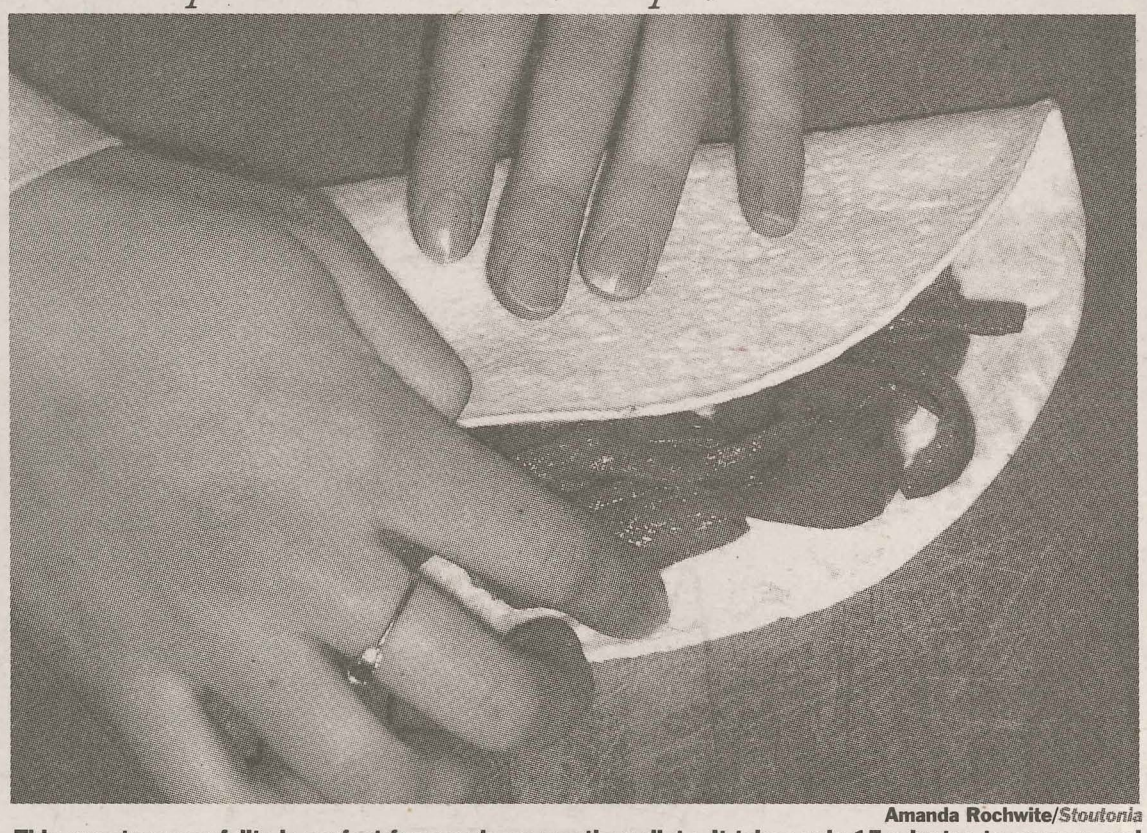
"A vegetarian diet is not only healthier, but also cheaper, better for the environment, exposes you to food you might not otherwise try, and you are actually adding new foods to your diet instead of just cutting out meat," said Janelle Fuchs, a senior in dietetics who eats a vegetarian diet.

If you have ever thought of going meatless but don't know if you can do it, consider these vegetarian bonuses:

1. Vegetarian meals are generally lower in fat than meals that revolve around meat.

2. They decrease the risk of cardiovascular disease and some cancers.

3. You don't have to clean up greasy animal fat.



Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia
This sweet pepper fajita is perfect for people on meatless diets. It takes only 15 minutes to prepare and heat and is a good solution for vegetarians who crave a Mexican flavor in their meals.

4. Vegetarian cooking encourages trying foods from many cultures around the world whose cuisine mainly center on plant foods.

"A vegetarian diet is healthy and environmentally friendly," said Tara Bugge, a junior in dietetics and is a vegetarian.

If you do decide to go meatless, there are a few precautions that must be taken. Often vegetarians find protein, calcium and vitamin B12 to be more difficult to fit in the diet. It is important to remember in any diet, vegetarian or not, to be sure to eat enough calories to fit your energy needs and to eat a variety of foods. Vegetarians need to not only eat fruits and vegetables but also whole grains, legumes, seeds and nuts.

With all these dietary concerns in mind, try these simple and quick veggie meal ideas.

One easy meal to make in the residence halls is rice and lentil pilaf. Put in a microwave safe dish, cover with water and cook for 25 minutes. You could also add fresh or frozen veggies to vegetarian ramen noodles with cubed tofu.

For a quick vegetarian dinner, bake a potato in the microwave and top it with broccoli and soy cheese. You could also try vegetarian Mexican foods, such as tacos or fajitas.

Anyone can use these recipes, whether they are a vegetarian or not. They are easy to make, nutritious and delicious.

This next recipe is an easy fajita recipe that can be used in a meatless diet but is good for other diets as well. It takes only about 15 minutes to make.

"This is good and spicy," said Teale Zetzman, a junior in vocational rehabilitation.

Sweet Pepper Fajitas
(3-4 servings)
1 (8 oz) can refried beans and salsa
1 tsp. salsa
1 Tbsp. vegetable oil
1/2 green pepper, sliced
1/2 red or yellow pepper, sliced
1/2 onion, sliced
3 flour tortillas

1. In a microwave-safe dish, combine the beans and salsa. Microwave on high for about five minutes, stirring halfway until thoroughly heated.

2. In a skillet, on medium-high heat, add the vegetable oil, sliced peppers and sliced onions. Cook and stir for about five minutes or until peppers are soft.

3. Warm the tortillas in the microwave for about 20 seconds. Spread the bean and salsa mixture and layer with peppers and onions. Fold over and enjoy.

**To spice up this fajita, add a dash of cayenne pepper and cumin, or add a dash of premade fajita seasonings to the peppers and onions. Top the fajitas with soy cheese or soy sour cream if you like.*

If you like lasagna and don't mind a lot of chopping,

Recipe continues on page 8

Women's Studies lectures

By Amy Krause
Student Life Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Women's Studies Center has developed a lecture series that analyzes different gender issues. Spread throughout the semester, these talks cover a wide range of topics and feature knowledgeable individuals who focus on particular aspects of gender relations.

The talks are meant as a way to inform people on various topics regarding women studies and gender relations in society. The lecture series began in early February and continues through May 4.

"The lecture series brings the best of Women's Studies to anyone who is interested in learning more about the field," said Anne Cross, director of the Women's Studies Program.

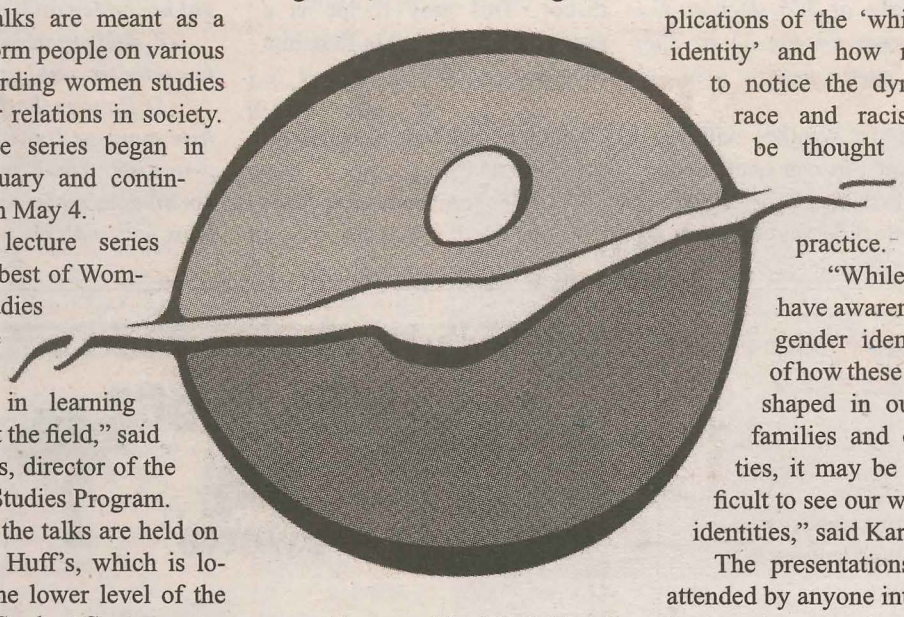
All of the talks are held on campus in Huff's, which is located on the lower level of the Memorial Student Center.

The 'Women in Context' lecture series isn't just a gathering of presenters; it is also a time to discuss issues with these knowledgeable presenters. Previous presenters have enjoyed discussing with people who attended their talk.

"It's always fantastic to get other people's perspective on your own research," said Laura McCullough, a UW-Stout assistant professor in the physics department who presented her topic, 'Gender and Context in Testing.'

The presenters featured in the lecture series are knowledgeable and thorough in their particular topic. McCullough discussed gender differences in the classroom and teaching. Her research involved the analysis of a gender gap in a commonly used physics education questionnaire.

"I think [students] would be interested in hearing about how the tests they take aren't perfect; some of them have very interesting flaws," said McCullough.



Along with McCullough there have been other presenters who have given detailed and informative talks for this series. Pete Burkholder, UW-Stout professor in the social science department, discussed the myths from the middle ages that are still held through to today in his talk, 'When History Gets Raped: The 'Right of First Night' in Medieval Context.'

Formally trained as a medieval historian, Burkholder took attendees to another time with the myths and stories from the middle ages.

"I always point to myths in my history classes as fascinating case studies," said Burkholder. "They usually say more about us than they do about the society they putatively describe."

The talks are continuing through the end of the semester and there are still a number of presenters and topics to be discussed. Terri Karris, a UW-Stout Professor in the Psychology Department, will present her topic on April 6.

Karris will discuss the implications of the 'white female identity' and how neglecting to notice the dynamics of race and racism might be thought of as a white relational practice.

"While we may have awareness of our gender identities and of how these have been shaped in our homes, families and communities, it may be more difficult to see our white racial identities," said Karris

The presentations may be attended by anyone interested in these topics at no charge.

"The talks are interesting and fun and they touch on a wide variety of issues that are important to everyone," said Cross.

Burkholder also feels strongly about the 'Women in Context' lecture series.

"It's a great way for students to get exposure to a broad range of topics that any individual instructor simply couldn't cover," said Burkholder.

The next lecture in the series will be held on April 6 at 11:15 a.m. Karris will be presenting her talk called, "Good (White) Girls: Shifting from Being Good to Doing Good."

If you were to kidnap the Easter Bunny, for what would you hold it ransom?

"A lifetime supply of Cadbury Easter eggs."

John Englund
Risk Control
Graduate Student

"A bottomless Easter basket filled with goodies."

Melody Asplund
Hotel, Tourism and Restaurant Management
Freshman

"A plane ticket to Paris."

Nicole Miner
Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management
Sophomore

"A keg of Blatz beer."

Jason Betaneur
Construction
Senior

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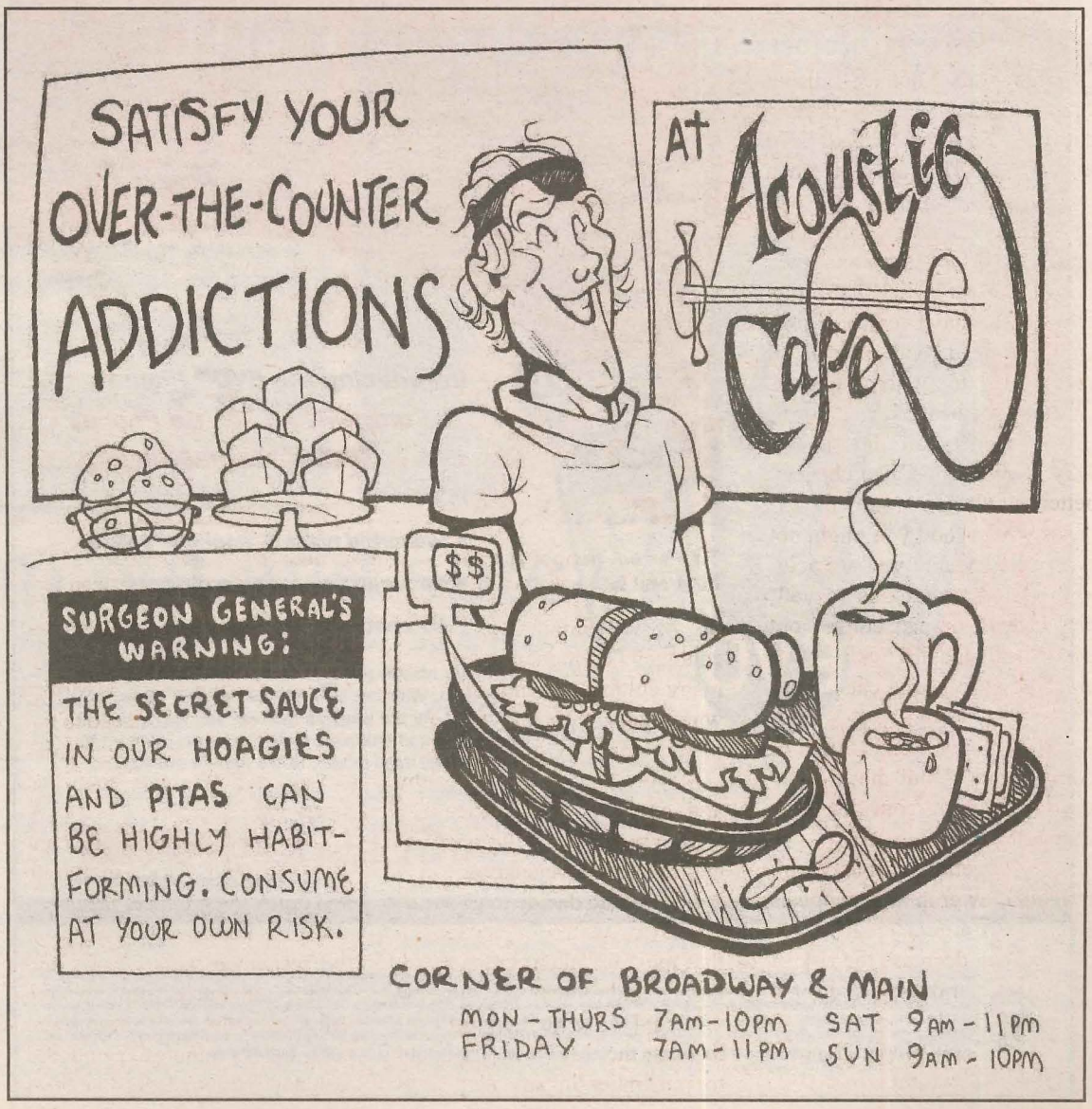

Recipe / *Vegetarian meals*

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this next recipe is right for you.

Like traditional lasagna, there are layers upon layers of fillings. Unlike traditional lasagna, this has a lot more veggies. If you don't eat cheese or are on a vegan diet, which won't allow any animal products, it may be omitted and still will taste delicious. Buy the lasagna noodles that do not need to be cooked beforehand to save time.

Vegetarian Lasagna

(6 servings)
1 (16 oz.) can diced tomatoes
1 (16 oz.) package instant lasagna noodles
1 bunch fresh spinach, washed and chopped
2 large carrots, shredded
2 large zucchini, diced
2 squash, diced
1 large eggplant, diced
1 large head broccoli, cut into florets
2 teaspoons dried oregano
salt and pepper to taste
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese (optional)
1 cup ricotta cheese

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.

2. Lightly grease the bottom of a 9x13 inch baking dish.

3. Place a layer of tomatoes in the bottom of the baking dish, followed by a layer each of noodles, chopped spinach, carrots, zucchini, summer squash, eggplant and broccoli.

4. Add the oregano, salt and pepper.

5. Repeat layering of ingredients until all are used up. If using cheeses, sprinkle over broccoli layers and on top of dish.

6. Bake at 375 degrees F (190 degrees C) for 25 to 35 minutes.

Soon the weather will get warmer and we can once again enjoy barbecuing. If you are eating a meatless diet, it may be difficult to join in on this tradition.

This barbeque sandwich may just be the food to satisfy your cravings. It is made with tofu, an excellent source of protein. If you've never had tofu before, it is a great idea to try it; you may discover it will be one of your favorite foods. Tofu is very versatile and can be eaten in salads, sandwiched or baked dishes. This easy recipe is a great way to try your first bite of tofu.

Barbecue Tofu Sandwich

(3 servings)
1 (6 oz) package extra firm tofu
2 Tbsp. vegetable oil
1/2 onion, thinly sliced
3/4 cup barbecue sauce
3 hamburger buns

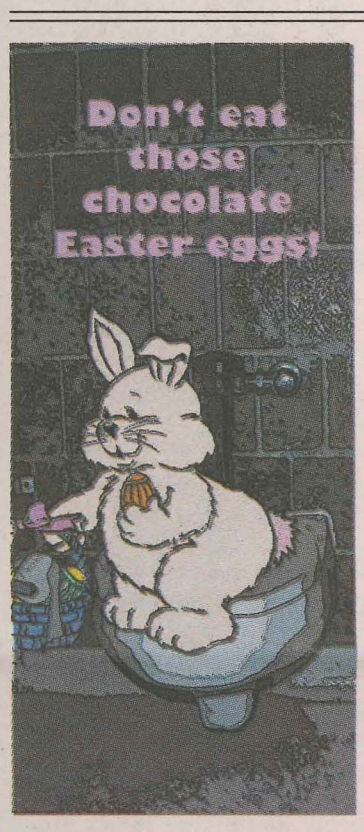
1. Drain the tofu between paper towels until most of the water has been squeezed out.

2. Slice tofu into 1/4 inch thick slices.

3. Heat vegetable oil in a large skillet, fry tofu strips until golden brown on both sides.

4. Add onion and cook for a few minutes, until onion is soft.

5. Pour in barbeque sauce (use more or less, according to your taste). Cook the mixture for ten minutes on low and serve on buns with a pickle.



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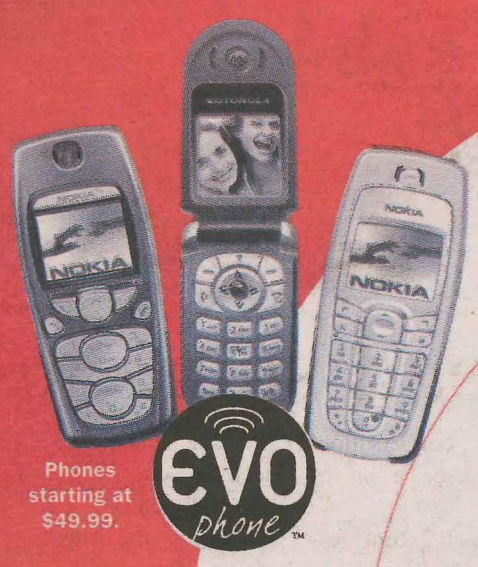

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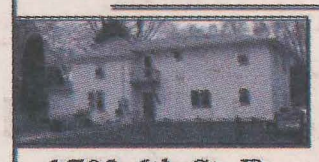

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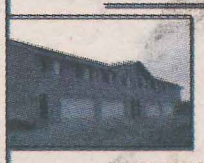

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The 411

March 24 to March 31

Thursday, March 24
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Café, 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

Friday, March 25
NO CLASS–Spring Holiday
>**Red Cedar Speedway Annual Car Show,** Dunn County Rec. Park, call 715-235-5777 for info.
>**Annual Bas Benefit,** live music, House of Rock, Eau Claire, door open 7 p.m., 21+, $5 donation.

Saturday, March 26
>**Red Cedar Speedway Annual Car Show,** Dunn County Rec. Park, call 715-235-5777 for info.
>**Spider John Koerner,** Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $12 students.

Sunday, March 27
No events scheduled.

Monday, March 28
>**Casino Night,** Great Hall, 8 p.m., free.

Tuesday, March 29
No events scheduled.

Wednesday, March 30
>**Women's Empowerment Festival,** Huff's, 5-11 p.m.
>**Softball** vs. St. Scholastica, 4 p.m.
>**Baseball** vs. UW-La Crosse, 12 p.m.

Thursday, March 31
>**Music: Matt Marka,** Rec. Center, 8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** 8 p.m., Rec. Center.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar? Send suggestions to

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Super sized and not loving it

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

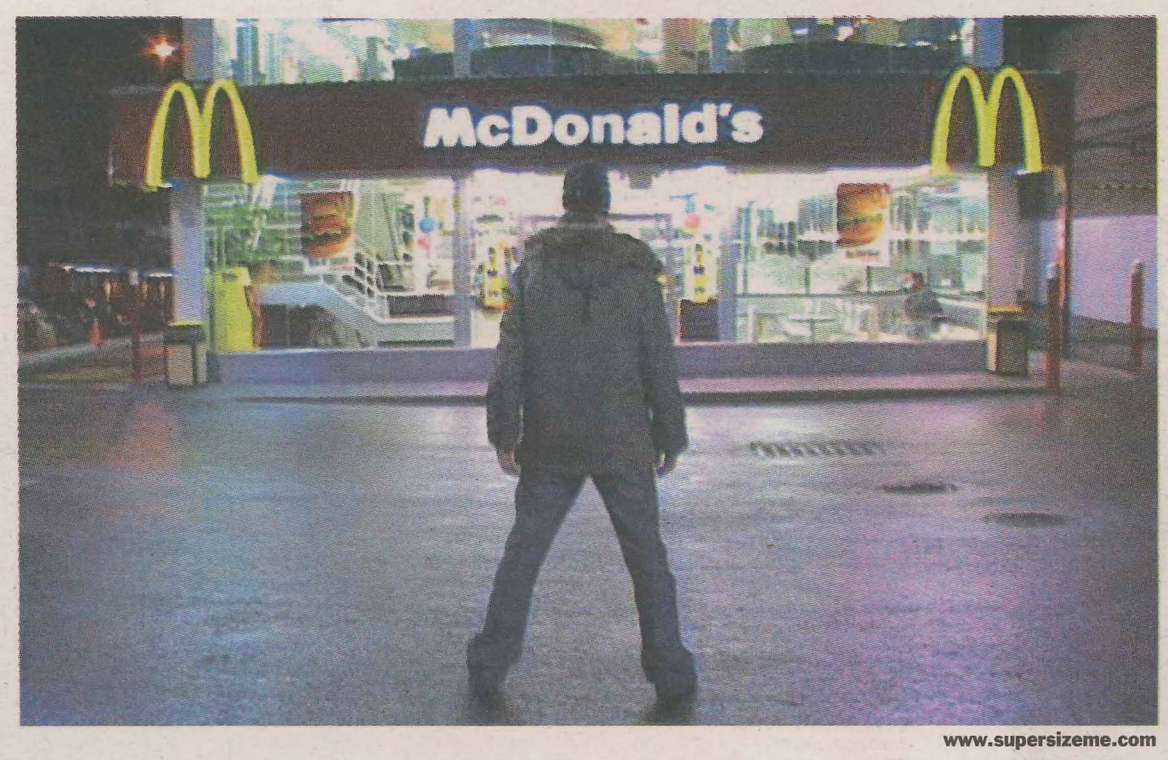
The familiar "Bah da bah bah bah, I'm Lovin' it!" of McDonald's theme song is something that most people recognize. Upon hearing it, our minds automatically go to the Big Mac or the McRib.

Bringing the larger than life Super Sized meal into reality, Morgan Spurlock will be speaking about his documentary, "Super Size Me," at the University of Wisconsin-Stout on Friday, April 15. This event will include not only the documentary and what Spurlock experienced while filming it but also a question and answer session afterwards.

No one touched on the risks of the growing fast food chains in America until one man was so fascinated with one greasy, unappealing, yet irresistible chain that he decided to make a documentary of its health effects on Americans today.

Spurlock was the man who pioneered the documentary "Super Size Me" that won him not only national attention for the issue at hand, but also a nomination for Best Documentary Feature at the Academy Awards earlier this year in February.

Before he was nominated for an Academy Award, Spurlock won the Best Director award in the documentary competition at the 2004 Sundance Film Festival.



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In the process of making this movie, Spurlock experienced a 30-day McDonald's only diet to show the effects of taking in 1,620 calories three times a day. For those wondering why he picked 1,620 calories per meal, that's actually how many calories are in a Big Mac super-sized meal with a drink and fries.

All he ate for a month was McDonald's, and the intriguing documentary, which will be shown in the beginning of the seminar, is all about the legal, financial and physical effects that the fast food industry has on America.

Coming out of the documentary with liver problems, higher cholesterol and not much of a stomach for any kind of fast food, Spurlock has definitely proven his point.

Among several disturbing factors revealed after he shot the documentary, more children in America today recognize McDonald's trademark arch than the symbol of a cross.

"My kids recognized the McDonald's clown before they recognized Santa Clause," said Denise Pharrell, an non-traditional student majoring in elementary education at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

"Before my two-year-old could complete an entire sentence, he would tell me he wanted the 'Bah, bah' to eat. We couldn't figure out what he was talking about at first and then he said it when we were in the Play Land one day. He was referring to McDonald's theme song."

Though Spurlock believes that this fast food chain has much to do with the growing rate of childhood obesity in America, he definitely isn't the only one coming to this conclusion.

"I still take the kids there to play once in a while because they love the toys, but after I saw that 'Super-Size Me' video I stopped coming on a monthly basis."

UW-Stout Performing Arts and Lecture Series, Blue Devil Productions, UW-Stout Health & Fitness Center, UW-Stout Involvement and Leadership Center and The Red Cedar Medical Center are the sponsors of this event, which is sure to be the biggest speaker to make it to Menomonie in this calendar year.

The cost will be $12 for the general public, $8 for UW-Stout faculty and staff, $8 for UW-Stout families and $2 for UW-Stout students. Tickets are available at the MSC.

Info from www.supersizeme.com Steve Pool/*Stoutonia*

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Chill, camp out and spread some love

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

There's an entire culture out there that thrives while you're in your bed dreaming of a pleasant escape. But of course, if you were camping you wouldn't need to dream of that pleasant escape, would you? If you were camping among friends, or friendly strangers for that matter, you could have that peace.

The Campout Roots Festival is coming in June, but that's only two months away. Those who put together this festival understand something that not all seem to be able to grasp.

It's the energy that brings them together, bonds them and allows them to convene in some Midwestern campsite to enjoy two days of music, conversation, relaxation and maybe a bit of social drinking.

They claim that the Roots festival leaves one with experiences that cannot be found elsewhere and won't be soon forgotten.

The weekend starts Friday afternoon, June 10. The last note will fade into space and time on Saturday night. By Sunday morning you're ready to pack up and head back home to whatever it is you do in your daily routine, unless perhaps this festival of music and peace makes you decide to change your daily routine all together.

Enjoy the musical stylings of Fat Maw Rooney, Down Lo, Smokin' Bandits, Banjer Dan, Hooch and God Johnson. They will play on two main stages, one indoors and one outdoors. There is no better way to take yourself away from the world around you than music and the rhythm of the soul. It is as the band OAR once said, "One good thing about

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Star Fox should have stayed in a hole

Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

Dear Nintendo: Please develop your own furry-filled, sci-fi Starfox games again. Rare's reincarnation of this once beloved series, Starfox Adventures, was passable as an adventure game, but not an actual Starfox game.

Now Namco brought something completely inexcusable, disappointing and not worth the almost eight-year wait for a full fledged Starfox sequel.

Gone is the option of choosing your own route. Gone are trademark areas such as Titiana, Macbeth and Sector Z. Gone is the training mode. In fact, nearly everything that made the previous Starfox games fun is gone.

Starfox Assault is classified as an aerial combat game, but that's ironically what this game lacks. Out of 10 clear-cut missions, less than half are entirely played in the famous Arwing.

Only a couple are set in the traditional corridor mode. Others rely heavily on foot, Land Master, or a combination of the three.

The Arwing stages are the most enjoyable, but fail to introduce anything revolutionary. The third-person foot stages are annoying, repetitive and don't offer anything new to make them different from similar action games.

Hit bonuses are earned differently as well, since only a minor bonus is given for every ten enemies defeated within a time limit. This game also seems to be a bit stingier with items than the previous games.

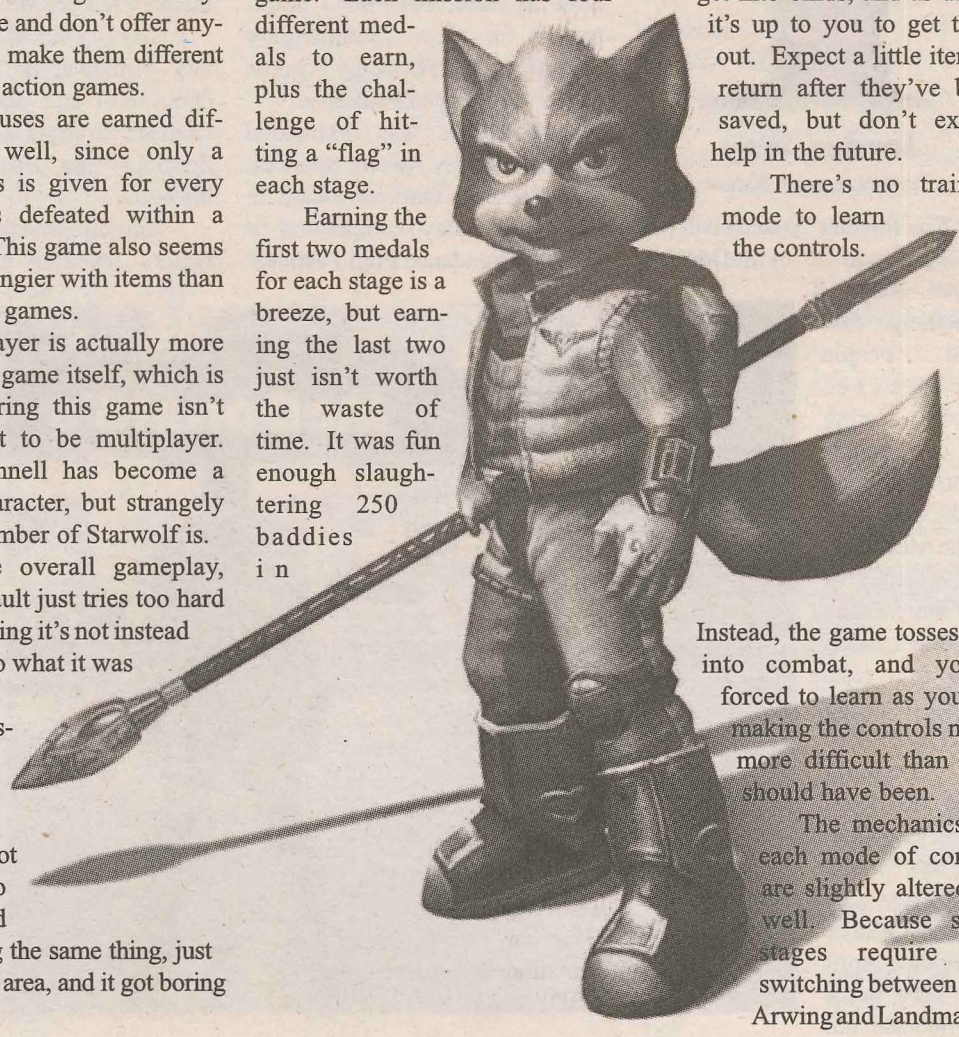
Multiplayer is actually more fun than the game itself, which is sad considering this game isn't really meant to be multiplayer. Wolf O'Donnell has become a playable character, but strangely no other member of Starwolf is.

For the overall gameplay, Starfox Assault just tries too hard to be something it's not instead of sticking to what it was great at.

The missions are challenging enough, but they're just not any fun. Too often I found myself doing the same thing, just in a different area, and it got boring very quickly.

After each mission has been completed, the option of doing the stages individually opens, allowing the player to earn medals without playing the entire game. Each mission has four different medals to earn, plus the challenge of hitting a "flag" in each stage.

Earning the first two medals for each stage is a breeze, but earning the last two just isn't worth the waste of time. It was fun enough slaughtering 250 baddies in Katina for a bronze medal, but how do you kill 700 for a silver medal, let alone 1100 for a gold?



The rest of the team - Falco, Krystal, and Slippy - will still get into binds, and as usual, it's up to you to get them out. Expect a little item in return after they've been saved, but don't expect help in the future.

There's no training mode to learn the controls.

Instead, the game tosses you into combat, and you're forced to learn as you go, making the controls much more difficult than they should have been.

The mechanics for each mode of combat are slightly altered, as well. Because some stages require fast switching between feet, Arwing and Landmaster, memorizing the controls for each without prior practice is a bit of a stretch.

The radar could have been improved by accepting a wider diameter. Enemies seem to stay outside the circumference forever, but once they enter it, they're gone before you get a chance to "lock on" and blast them.

Better graphics shouldn't have been a problem to make up for its lack of gameplay time, seeing as how the game can be beat within a matter of hours. Whether they were in the cinematic scenes or just the details of the environment, it could have been better.

The music is there, but unfortunately it's often muffled by the loud sound effects and constant robotic chitchat between the characters. Then again, that could be a good thing.

The deep, enigmatic, slightly escalating symphony to Starfox 64 is gone. While most of the main themes are still there, they've been remixed with faster, upbeat, more battle-ready tones. There are a few new themes as well, but the only one worthy of humming was Starwolf's theme.

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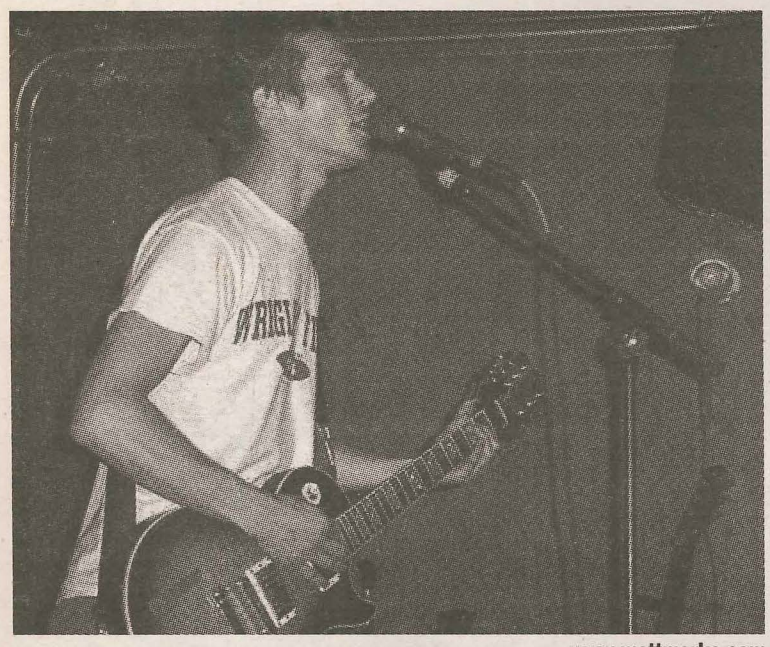

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Matt Marka will be giving a free acoustic performance to UW-Stout students on Thursday, March 31 that is sure to be memorable.

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

"It's dark; it's dark in this blind man's bed. It's quiet; it's quiet in this deaf man's head." This is a quote from Matt Marka's song 'Skin Skeleton.'

Marka, an up and coming phenomenon highly recognized in the music world, will be coming to the University of Wisconsin-Stout on Thursday, March 31 for a free acoustic show.

The show will start at 8 p.m. at the Recreation Center in the MSC.

For those unfamiliar with Marka's music, it can be described as a mix between rock, blues, country and folk combined with his own special something that gives it a unique feel.

It's the last ingredient, that special something, that really gives the music its soul. While listening to him sing the lyrics that he so craftily puts together; it's obvious that his emotions are not fake and that his lyrics are extremely real and they come from his soul.

His voice seems to be tapping into the wisdom of his collective unconscious by the notes and tones he uses.

Marka's lyrics have depth and take on a mostly somber tone. Yet even with the more dismal lyrics, the mind-easing upbeat feel leaves one feeling pleasantly peaceful and extremely calm.

Listeners can easily find either wisdom-soaked advice or empathy for the many experiences that may occur in life. The same energy that gives his chords and rhythms their pure, straight-from-the-soul, feel is what makes the lyrics identifiable to many.

His words speak the story of an everyday common man who recalls his experience and observations in the jungle of modern life.

Marka's 2003 album "Good-bye Gracious," has helped him attain an ever growing fan base throughout Minnesota and praise from local publications such as City Pages. He's definitely worth checking out if you're in the mood for a relaxed yet internally energetic evening.

For any questions or more information on his recent CD, call BDP at 232- 2432.

Roots / *festival*

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music when it hits you, you feel no pain."

Beyond musical entertainment, it's a weekend camping trip. The suggested list of provisions includes the sleeping bag, clothes, food and beverages and if you're in the mood, a swimming suit to cool off from the summer's heat.

Don't forget to pack your Frisbee, as Frisbee golf will be an option that may be too good to pass. So you get wet, throw discs and listen to music for two days with no worries.

The energy that drives the founders of the festival wouldn't have it any other way. How we were raised, where we came from, where we're going, love, joy of giving–these are all themes for the campout.

If you are unsure if this music festival is up your alley, the Web site for it, http://www.campout-roots.com, is more than helpful. Anything you need to know can be found there.

Tickets are available online and at Union Records (431 Water St. in Eau Claire) for advance sales but will also be sold at the gate during the festival. The camp space and tickets are on a first come first serve basis, but it is hard to run out of tickets for an open campout.

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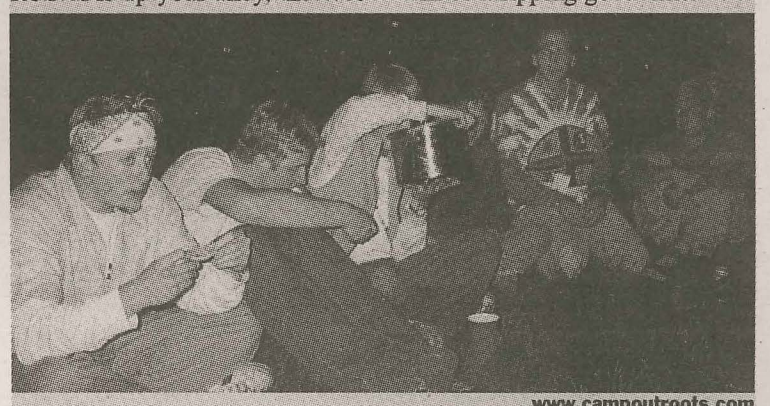

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1	1	1226 Knapp St	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	Downstairs of duplex/North Menomonie	D
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2	1	113 W. zMain	$350	$175	$420	$210	Close to campus and downtown	H
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2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$600	$300	$600	$300	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	802 6th Ave #6	$500	$250	$500	$250	All Utilities included Great Location Parking	6
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2	1	119 Main St. #2	$380	$190	$430	$215	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	915 1/2 Main St.	$360	$180	$435	$218	Nice Duplex with parking	D
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3	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$660	$220	$860	$287	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$500	$167	$650	$217	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
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3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
4	1	915 Main St.	$700	$175	$830	$207	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$550	$138	$720	$180	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$600	$150	$720	$180	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
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5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$750	$150	$900	$180	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
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5	2	2006 5th St. #A	$800	$160	$910	$182	High eff furnace, W/D, very large	3
5	2	1503 7th St.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Good loc./washer/dryer/ avail aug 23	4
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	N/A	N/A	W/D, right on campus, Special 9mo. lease	
5	2	2006 5th St. #C	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2+	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1200	$240	$1400	$234	Fabulous newer construction, WashDry	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	220 12th Ave. W.	$1190	$170	$1415	$203	Location / WASHER/DRYER/ large yard	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1260	$180	$1485	$213	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H
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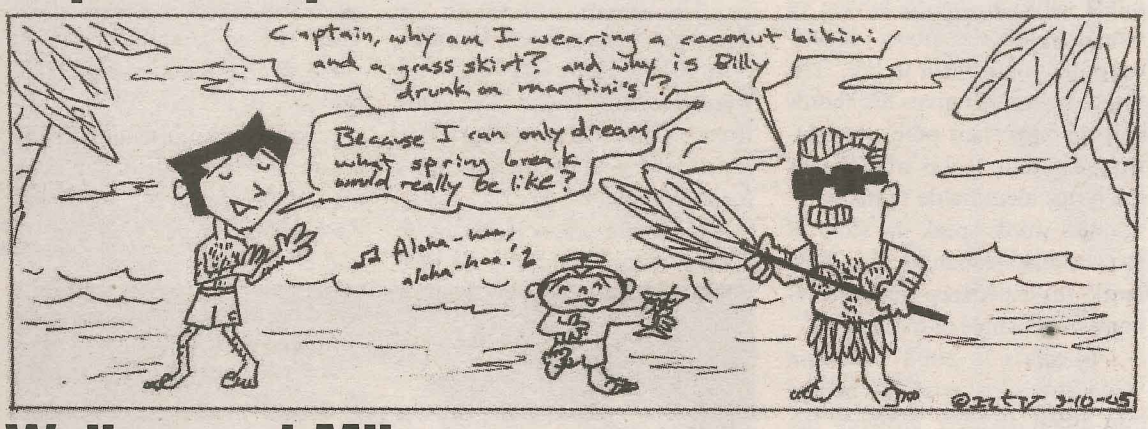

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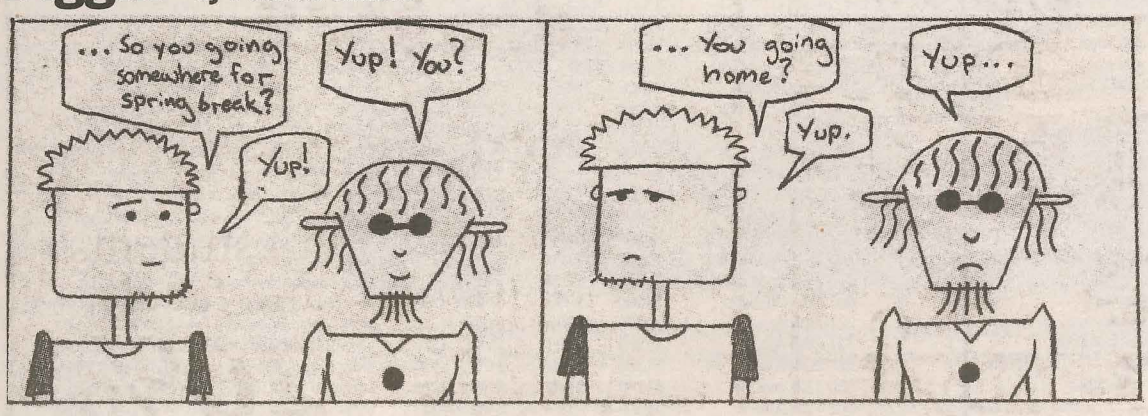

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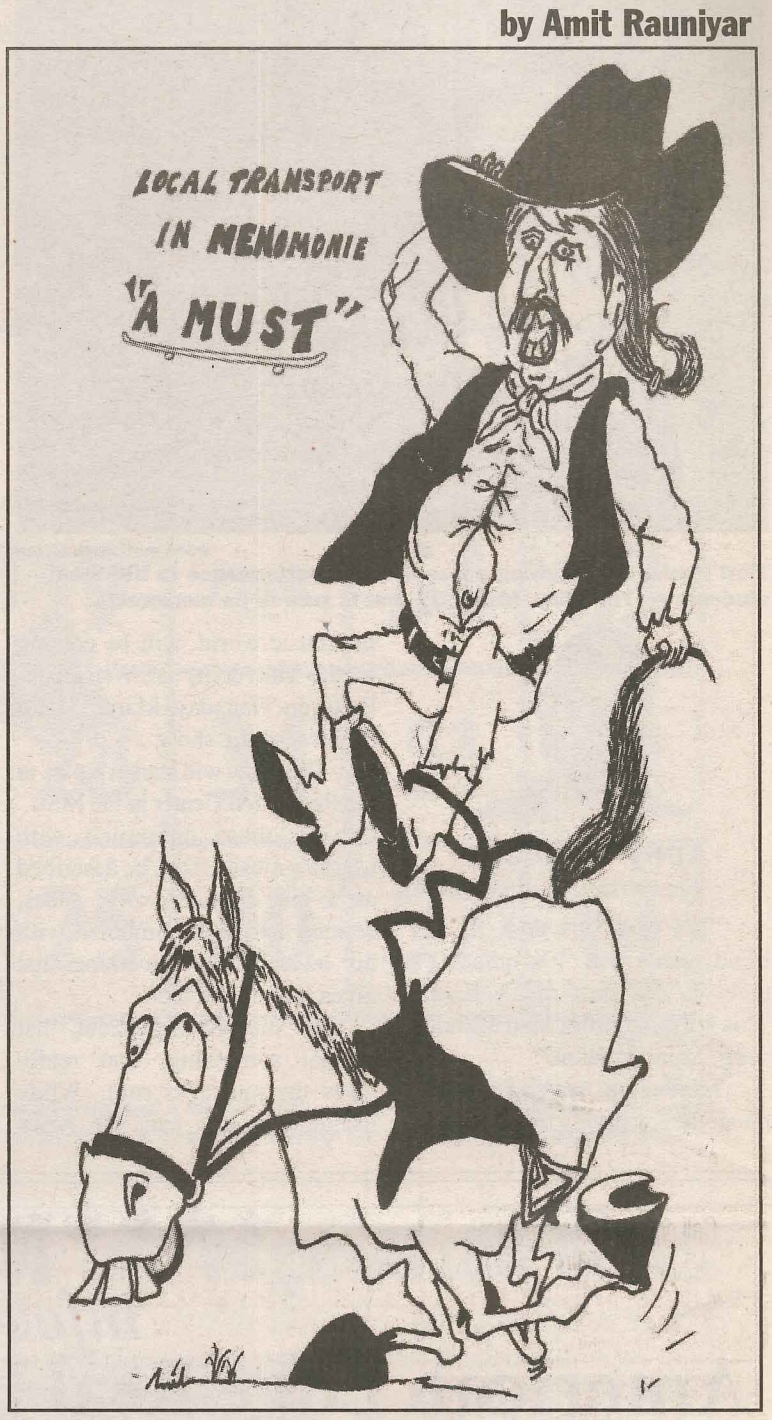

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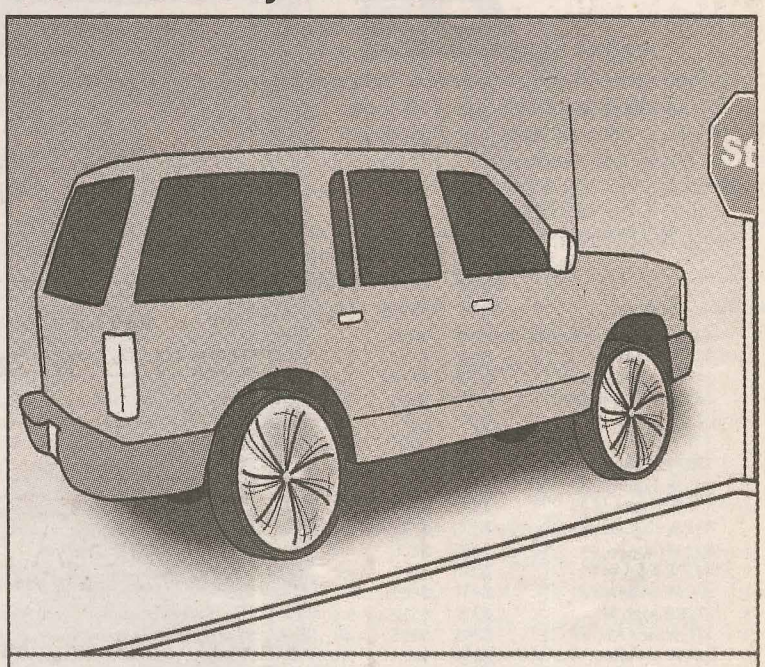

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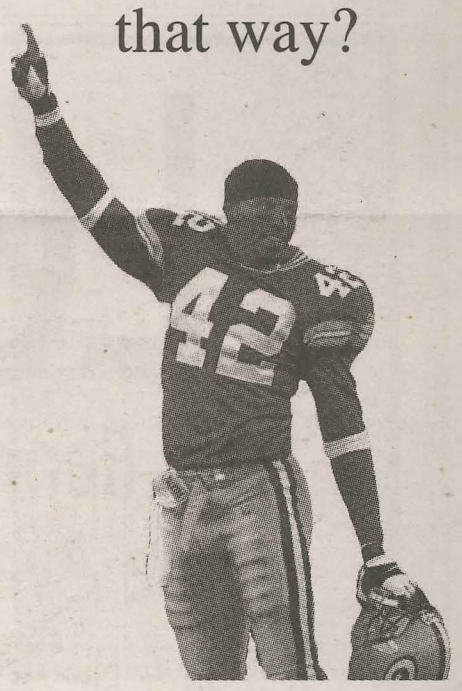

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This week in Blue Devil athletics

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Women's Basketball

For lady Blue Devil basketball fans, the season has come to a close.

Looking back the fans and students were given the best season in school history. It was the first 24-win season and the only sweet sixteen appearance ever for the lady Blue Devils.

The championship run for the lady Blue Devils came to an end when the team was eliminated from the NCAA tournament by Millikin University. The lady Blue Devils came three points short in a 56-59 loss to the Big Blue on March 11.

It was a tale of two halfs for the University of Wisconsin-Stout who dominated the first half of play.

Led by Lindsey Erichson's nine points, the Blue Devils had a 30-19 lead into the locker room.

Millikin, a team that only had two losses on the season, refused to give up and began to cut into the Blue Devils lead in the second half. The Big Blue went on an 18-7 run and eventually tied the game at 37 with over ten minutes remaining.

Both teams exchanged the lead over the next six minutes, and with the lady Blue Devils up 54-53 with four minutes on the clock, it looked as if another win could be pulled out.

Unfortunately, a late scoring drought for UW-Stout put an end to their season as Millikin hit three late field goals and closed the curtain on the lady Blue Devils season.

Millikin went on to win the rest of their games and capture the national title. In the final game the Big Blue defeated Randolph-Macon 70-50.

Track & Field

At the NCAA Division III Indoor Track & Field Championships, the women's track and field team had many athletes near the top spot on the podium.

Senior Laura Verdegan placed third in the high jump along with a fourth place finish in the triple jump.

Verdegan's leap in the triple jump was a height of 5 feet, 7.75 inches. Her triple jump distance was 39 feet, 8.75 inches.

Marci Schachtner placed fifth in the 20-pound weight throw with a toss of 54 feet, 10.75 inches. Schachtner earned her second indoor all-American award with the throw.

Other Blue Devil finishers were Chelsea Becker with a 12th place finish in the pole vault and Krista Hasselquist with an 11th place finish in the shot put.

For the men's team, the conference championships brought some success. Derek Gonzenbach ran faster than any other in the 400-meter dash and captured the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Title with a time of 49.65 seconds.

Scott Barthel and Jesse Wendt placed in the top ten in their respective events.

Barthel finished sixth in the 400-meter while Wendt had seventh place finishes in the 55-meter dash, 200-meter dash and long jump.

The men's track and field team placed seventh overall, and the meet was won by the University of Wisconisn-La Crosse.

Photo Courtesy of UW-Stout rugby club

Both the men's and women's track and field teams have had success late in the season. The women placed 11th in the championships.

Gymnastics

The gymnastics team qualified three participants to the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association (NCGA) Championships on April 1-2.

Rhian Paulson and Ashley Timm both qualified in the all-around event while Chelsea Becker qualified in the vault.

The women earned their qualifying positions by placing well during the WIAC Championships.

Timm placed fourth in the all-around competition and Paulson placed ninth. Becker earned her spot with a sixth place finish on the vault and received her first all-conference honor.

Timm also placed second on the balance beam with a score of 9.575 and had an 18th place finish on the uneven bars.

Paulson, who earned her third and fourth all-conference honors, also placed sixth on the vault and fourth on the floor exercise.

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Baseball / *building a better ball club*

classmen. With only four seniors returning this season, it means a lot of experience will be built and the Blue Devils will have to hang tough to be competitive in the conference.

"We have improved on the mound," says head coach Craig Walter. Walter is in his fourth season as the Blue Devils coach.

The Blue Devils seem to have a grip on what they need to accomplish and while the team didn't do as well as they thought they were going to last season, there is a sense that things are going to improve.

One sign of a turn around is the solid pitching staff that the Blue Devils have. This year the team has 10 pitchers to work with, and there is a good combination of left and right handed pitchers on the team, which is going to help on the field.

The key to this season is to have pitchers ready when it comes time for the conference series.

In the outfield there will be many changes in which most of the line up will be different.

Junior Seth Maier is the only outfielder returning to the Blue Devil lineup this year.

Senior Greg Meinertz, the starting catcher for the Blue Devils, is returning for his final season. Meinertz had an outstanding season last year with a batting average of .362 and 32 RBIs.

"Greg is a natural leader and works harder than anyone else; I would love to have nine of him on the field," said Walter.

In the win against Carlton, Meinertz went 2-4 with three RBIs and a walk. Pitcher Jon Severson pitched six innings and allowed one hit the entire game.

The win brought Severson's record to 1-1 on the season.

Junior Tim Nelson is an all-conference player and led the team last year in hitting. Nelson's batting average was .417 last season.

Overall, the Blue Devil baseball team is just a few plays from getting over the hill and being a tough conference competitor. If the deep pitching squad begins to play well, the Blue Devils should be tough to beat.

The home opener for the UW-Stout baseball team is set for March 30 against the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and is also the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference opener.

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

Catcher Greg Meinertz is one of the leaders of the Blue Devil basball team. Last season Meinertz batted .362 and had 32 RBIs.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

For sophomore Derek Gonzenbach, it was the fastest he had ever run in an indoor competition

With a time of 49.65 seconds, Gonzenbach took first in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference for the 400-meter dash.

After finishing second to the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire's Adam Kroger in the preliminaries, Gonzenbach managed to defeat the Blugold sprinter by .05 seconds in the WIAC finals.

Gonzenbach also finished fifth in the 200-meter dash with a time of 22.83 seconds.

Overall, the men's team finished seventh at the WIAC championships. The next top finisher for the Blue Devils was Scott Barthel who finished sixth in the 400-meter dash.

The Facts:
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Won the WIAC title in the 400-meter dash.

Derek Gonzenbach
Track & Field

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (1-8)

The baseball team defeated Carlton College 14-1 on March 19

Next Game:
March 24 against UM-Morris at the Metrodome

Women's Basketball (24-7)

The lady Blue Devils lost to Millikin University 56-59 on March 11

**First 24-win season in school history

Gymnastics

The Blue Devils placed seventh at the WIAC Championship on March 18

Next Meet:
April 1 at the NCGA championships in La Crosse

Softball (1-7)

The softball team lost to Hawaii Pacific 11-0

Next Game:
March 25 at Coe College

Rugby player goes national

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Photo Courtesy of UW-Stout rugby club

Aaron Fry will be a part of the U-19 USA rugby team. The team is composed of players under 19 years old from all over the country. Fry and team USA will be playing in Durban, South Africa.

For the second time in the past three years, a member of the men's rugby club has been selected to play for the U-19 USA Rugby National Team. The team is composed of the top 26 rugby players under the age of 19 from all over the country.

Two years ago Max Zukowski, the team's current president, was selected to play for the team. Zukowski had the opportunity to play for the USA team in Paris, France.

This year, freshman Aaron Fry, a hotel and restaurant management major, has been selected and will play in Durban, South Africa.

"I feel great and am very excited to represent the USA at the championship," said Fry.

Fry is one of four freshmen that the team acquired this season with elite experience from high school. In addition to Fry, Tom Meyer from Madison, Ben Hronek from Polaski and Braden Sowle from Oconto all played on the Wisconsin U-19 Team and won the Premier National Championship in 2004.

Fry has gone through a series of training camps with USA Rugby for the past six months. Coaches from USA Rugby watch a series of tournaments and invite the best players to try out for the team. Players then go through a series of try-outs where final cuts are made.

Over the summer, Fry played in Trinidad and Tobago for the first part of the tryouts.

During christmas break, Fry traveled to Tempe, Ariz. where he was officially selected to play on the National Team. Upon returning, he has been practicing on his own to prepare for the World Championship.

Since team members are from all over the country, it is impossible for them to practice together. Fry has a daily training regimen and he has to use self-discipline to compete. He also talks to the coach, Salty Thompson, from Tempe on a regular basis to check-in.

On March 26, Fry will be leaving to play in the World Junior Championship in Durban, South Africa. He will be there until April 20.

In the first round, the USA team will be playing against Uruguay, Conga and Chile in a pool play to determine what seed they will be in the championship.

Play will then continue against the 32 countries represented at the tournament.

"The sense of pride and patriotism I felt when I finally met the whole team, and got to see the teams from other countries was really amazing," said Zukowski.

Most of the travel expenses are covered by USA Rugby, with a small amount coming from Fry. The team also gets time to throughout South Africa together and during off days, the team will take sight-seeing day trips.

"Traveling to another country to play rugby really broadened my horizons of the world and the world of rugby," said Zukowski. "Seeing the talent of other teams made me a better player. I learned so much while at the World Championship, and I was able to bring that knowledge back to the team at UW-Stout."

Fry has been working with his teachers, who are being extremely accommodating even though he will be missing almost a month of classes. He also took two quarter classes, with the hope that he would be leaving, so his course load for second quarter is a bit smaller.

Fry also will be doing much of his schoolwork online while in South Africa.

The men's rugby team is very proud to have Fry on their team and wish him luck at the World Championships.

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Blue Devil baseball looks for tempo

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

Matt Christman is one of the many pitchers that the Blue Devils have this season. The solid pitching squad may equal more wins.

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's baseball team is off to bumpy start. The team has only won one of its first eight games this season.

Last season the Blue Devils never got into a winning pattern, and finished the season 13-25.

The slow start to this season may turn around sooner this time as the ball club finished last season with a five game win streak and will be hoping to show they are now ready to compete with the top conference teams.

The season started off on March 9 when the team traveled to the Metrodome, but lost the opener against Grand View College.

The team then traveled to Texas to play four games, but could only manage one win. The victory was a 14-1 pounding of Carlton College.

The Blue Devils have a young ball club this year in which over half the team is lower

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State bill proposed to stop The Pill

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Near the end of March, state representative Daniel LeMahieu of Oostburg began promoting and circulating a bill that is designed to ban access to birth control at University of Wisconsin health care facilities.

The bill, proposed Wis. Statute 36.11(49), would prohibit the University of Wisconsin System, or any person on UW property from "advertising the availability of, prescribing, or dispensing emergency contraception."

LeMahieu proposed the bill because he believes that contraception leads to promiscuity, and this bill would reduce such behavior on college campuses.

The proposed legislation was presented to Peggy Lautenshalager, Attorney General for the State of Wisconsin. In an opinion released April 5, 2005, she stated that the proposed legislation would "violate several provisions on the United States and Wisconsin constitutions."

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin released a statement on March 24, 2005, calling LeMahieu's proposal "misguided and misleading." According to statement, LeMahieu originally proposed to prohibit all contraception, but after media reports made this public in late March, he released a statement clarifying that his proposal would only be for emergency contraception.

However, according to the current wording in the bill, it still will effectively ban access to daily birth control pills to university women, according to Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin.

"The proposed legislation would violate female students' constitutional right to privacy," said Lautenschlager in the opinion released April 5. "Under the Supreme Courts constitutional privacy jurisprudence, 'the fundamental right of privacy protects citizens against governmental intrusion in such intimate family matters as procreation, childrearing, marriage and contraceptive choice.'"

Further, the attorney general states that the proposed legislation "would violate the Equal Protection Clause in the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution and Article 1, Section 1 of the Wisconsin Constitution." Both state that gender-based laws must serve important governmental objectives, and Lautenschlager believes that this bill would discriminate against female students.

Lautenschlager's statement will not hinder LeMahieu's push for the bill. However, they continue to push for an open debate on the topic in the state house of representatives.

"Representative LeMahieu's bill deals simply and solely with one form of contraceptive, and that is the morning after pill," said Jeffrey Grothman, legislative assistant to LeMahieu.

According to Grothman, statements issued against the bill are only doing so for political reasons.

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin state that the bill will effectively eliminate access to all contraceptives, yet Grothman said the bill clearly states it will only ban large-dose contraceptive used after intercourse.

According to Grothman, LeMahieu also believes that the "morning-after pill" is an unsafe medication, as it gives an abnormally large dose of hormones to women and is also pushing the bill to protect women from any unknown harm that could come from using this drug.

"We are not hindered by the AG's opinion at all," said Grothman.

In another release from Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin on April 6, political director Chris Taylor applauded Lautenschlager's opinion.

"Our concerns about Representative LeMahieu's efforts are confirmed with this opinion, which shows how extreme and far reaching this bill is," said Taylor.

Summarized by Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin, the bill would violate female students' constitutional right to privacy, will violate the equal protection clause of the fourteenth amendment, will violate free speech through prohibiting advertisement and is too vague.

"The bill is not only discriminatory, it runs counter to the state's interest in promoting access to health care," said Taylor.

Student input is valued from both sides. Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin can be reached through their Web site at http://www.ppawi.org, and Representative LeMahieu can be reached at (608) 266-9175.

Students and birth control

By Jillian McKnight
U-Wire

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON -- Increasingly, women across the country are finding it more difficult to fill prescriptions for birth control pills and emergency contraceptives. Pharmacists citing religious and moral opposition to the medications are refusing to fill prescriptions. Though a national debate, the issue over pharmacists' rights is quickly reaching college campuses.

"Contraception is a basic health care need for women, including college women," said Rachel Vogelstein a fellow at the National Women's Law Center.

Refusals have been reported in California, Washington, Georgia, Illinois, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Texas, as well as several other states. It is not known how wide spread refusals may be on college campuses.

In 2002, a University of Wisconsin student was refused access to her birth control prescription by an off-campus pharmacist. Disciplinary action has since been filed against the pharmacist a ruling from the licensing board is expected shortly.

Pharmacists are controlled by state laws and licensing boards. Bills that would allow pharmacists to refuse filling contraceptives on religious or moral opposition are pending in 11 states, including Wisconsin.

"We are working to amend those bills to protect women's health," said Vogelstein.

NWLC recently scored a big success when Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich signed legislation protecting immediate access to contraception.

Five weeks ago, two women called in prescriptions to their local pharmacy in the South Loop to purchase contraceptives. The law gives them every right to do that. Each woman had a prescription from her doctor. Both women only sought to buy contraceptives, and yet both were denied. Why? Because the pharmacist refused to fill the prescription.

"Unfortunately, this story is not unique to Chicago or to Illinois. Cases like this have been popping up all over the country. I have a sneaking suspicion that in all likelihood, this is part of a concerted effort to deny women access to birth control. Those involved in this effort may be getting away with this in other states, but here in Illinois, we are not going to let that happen," said Gov. Blagojevich in a press release April 1.

University of Wisconsin recently made headlines again. State representative Daniel LeMahieu proposed legislation in mid-March that would ban the distribution of emergency contraception on campus. His bill is currently circulating, looking for a co-sponsor. Wisconsin is one of the 11 states where there's pending legislation allowing pharmacists to refuse to fill contraceptive and morning-after prescriptions.

"This isn't solely derived from morality," said LeMahieu's chief of staff Jeffrey Gothman. "This goes higher than a morality question. This deals with a woman's health."

While LeMahieu's chief of staff admits that the representative views the morning after pill as a form of abortion, he says that for LeMahieu the issue's not based on his morals, but rather on the unknown future impact the morning after pill may have.

"There is no warning as to the future impact on a woman's health," said Gothman. "They're arbitrarily handing out high dosages of hormones."

The bill will prohibit students from accessing the morning-after pill through the University of Wisconsin's health system. It will not inhibit access to normal birth control pills. LeMahieu, a pro-life delegate and co-sponsor of the Pharmacy Conscience Clause Bill, which

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SSA candidates forum

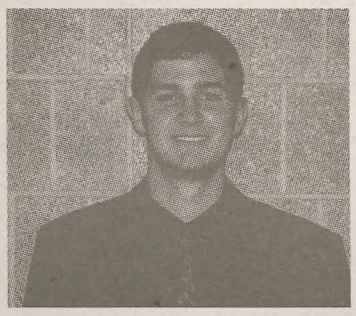
By Tim Krueger
News Editor

With the school year coming to a close, it is time to start preparing for next year. On Monday, April 4, the Stout Student Association held a candidate open forum for all positions and candidates.

The election for these positions will be held on April 12, 2005, and voting will be done online via e-Scholar.

Candidates for president are Adam Duffenbach, Jenny Schuh and Joe Seaton. Candidates for Legislative Affairs are Julie Bricker, Margaret Haglund and Jake Hilber. Candidates for Academic Affairs are Jenny Schuh and Steve Williams. The candidate for Financial Affairs is Quentin Lenz. The candidates for Diversity are Addison Vang and Jessica Paddelford.

During the open forum, a variety of questions were asked to the candidates from both a moderator and from the audience. Responses to the questions were not permitted to be taken away from the forum, so only the candidates personal statements are available. Any information not present was not submitted to SSA.



Candidate Name: Adam Duffenbach
Hometown: Cadott, WI
Running For: President

Year in School: Senior
Major/Minor: Service Management
Anticipated Graduation Date: May 2006

Campus Invlolvement: R.A. for two years / Chi Lambda
SSA Involvement: Senator
Community Involvement: N/A

Personal Statement:
I am a fourth year Service Management student here at Stout. I enjoy being involved with student matters on campus. I have worked for Housing and Residence Life, University Centers and have been involved in the Chi Lambda fraternity and Interfraternal Council. In my experience, I have realized the importance of being involved in organizations, volunteering and service learning activities. I feel I am an excellent resource for any Stout student to come and talk with about nearly every campus-related issue. If elected as president I will: support and promote the laptop initiative (having all instructors facilitate laptop use in the classroom), maximize the use of campus resources (inform students of valuable resources available to them, expand lab hours), and lastly, I will promote campus wide involvement, leadership and recognition. I feel that if the majority of students were involved, it would better everyone's experience through the flow of ideas and information.

Candidate Name: Jenny Schuh
Hometown: Kaukauna, WI
Running For: President / Academics Director

Year in School: Junior
Major/Minor: Early Childhood
Anticipated Graduation Date: Dec. 2006

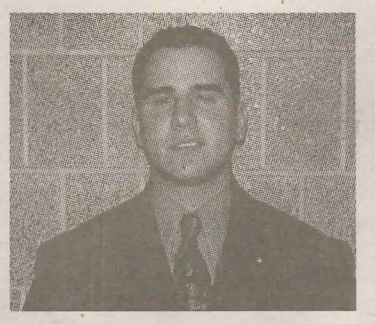
Campus Invlolvement: Newman Student Association / Orientation crew leader
SSA Involvement: Executive
Community Involvement: Positive Alternatives mentor

Candidate Name: Joe Seaton
Hometown: Eau Claire, WI
Running For: President

Year in School: Senior
Major/Minor: Major in Psychology, Minor in Business Administration
Anticipated Graduation Date: May 2006

Campus Invlolvement: Kappa Lambda Beta Fraternity / Former Treasurer of the Stout Drumming club
SSA Involvement: Senator
Community Involvement: N/A

Personal Statement:
The basis of my run for President of the 36th Congress of the SSA is to be the voice of the students. We are currently going through difficult times in which budgeting problems, administration agendas, landlords and long working hours are all affecting the ways in which we learn and go about our everyday lives. The one thing I can say to the student population of UW-Stout is this: Help is on the way and change is coming soon.



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would give pharmacists the right of refusal to fill contraceptive and morning after prescriptions based on moral or religious beliefs

"University health systems are pushing the limits too far by advertising in a simplistic way that the morning-after pill will take care of all these problems," said Gothman.

"There are issues like date rape where access to emergency contraception becomes extremely important," said Vogelstein.

The morning-after pill must be administered within 72 hours for effectiveness. Maximum effectiveness occurs in the first 24 hours. Students are often in need of emergency contraception during the weekends or late at night.

"I don't think it's right for them to tell me what medication I can and cannot get," said GW senior Jamie Panzarella. "It maybe hard for some girls to find another pharmacy or take off from class to drive somewhere."

Several universities throughout the country have recently included contraception in their student health plans, including the University of Delaware and New York University. An informal survey of 100 major colleges and universities by Voices for Planned Parenthood found 53 percent offered prescription drug coverage but not birth control coverage.

The Food and Drug Administration is currently reviewing a second application by Duramed Pharmaceuticals, the makers of Plan B, an emergency contraceptive pill, to sell the medication over the counter. In December of 2003, the FDA's advisory panel voted overwhelmingly, 24-3, in favor of selling the drug over the counter. FDA Commissioner Lester Crawford, citing that some participants in the study were under the age of 16, then denied the application.

In April of 2003, James Madison University Board of Visitors voted to ban the sale of emergency contraceptives at the health center after receiving a letter from Virginia State Delegate Robert G. Marshall (R-Va.). Marshall, an anti-abortion activist, has been the force behind anti-choice legislation in the state legislature. The university's trustees later overturned their initial vote after several months of student and administration protest.

Health related decisions are no longer under the authority of the university's trustees.

"Access to contraception on college campuses is a big issue for us," said Vogelstein, who works closely with law students around the country.

The National Women's Law Center has also had success in getting college campuses to ensure access to contraception. About a year ago, the National Women's Law Center started the Pharmacy Refusal Project, which works for legislation to protect women's health through public education and aiding state and federal advocates.

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Everyone loves advisement

Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

It's difficult to explain advisement day to someone from a different school. The easiest way is to make them think they are missing out on something special.

"Yeah, I've got Advisement Day today, so I'm just gonna chill all day."

Not a bad plan.

Advisement Day has taken heat in the past for being a worthless day, but isn't that exactly the kind of day college students love?

Meet with your advisor (if you even have to), and maybe spend 15 minutes planning your classes for next semester. That's Advisement Day.

How this hasn't caught on at other schools is amazing. A whole day designated to the art of pretend work. Yes, you meet with peers or an advisor and talk about course work a bit, but none of that is really saving anyone's college career.

Freshmen are required to meet with advisors because no one trusts freshmen to think for themselves. Now, sophomores on the other hand, are a whole year older, and they are far more intelligent than freshmen.

At our staff meeting we discussed the pro's and con's of Advisement Day. Here are some of the highlights of that conversation.

Students don't know what they want to do with their schedules in the first two years of college. Forcing students to go to Advisement Day helps to curb this problem. Score one point for Advisement Day.

With the faculty and budget cuts, students complained that switching advisors was difficult, led to a lot of problems, and is a waste of time. One point against Advisement Day.

Big Earl and Petey got the most out of their Advisement Day. Did YOU?

Since not all students are required to meet with advisors, many view the day as a joke. Students who don't see this day as an opportunity, use it as a way to enjoy a Monday night of drinking. One point against Advisement Day.

Some on our staff said that in addition to using the day to plan future semesters, they used the day to relax and do some homework. Score one point for Advisement Day.

With the score tied at two, the final vote should come from the students. So ask a student, is Advisement Day a waste of time?

Most students will respond by saying any day off, is a day well spent.

Chancellor's Interview

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

It seems my critique on the academic atmosphere at Stout got some attention. Not just any attention either, the spotlight of Bowman tower swung itself upon Menomonie and landed squarely on my home.

Shortly after my second article in the series, I received two e-mails from Chancellor Sorensen asking if I would be interested in getting together for a chat regarding any questions I might have about the University.

I agreed and armed with my trusty notebook and a recording device I entered the administration building not sure what to expect. Would he be hostile? He would certainly have the right to be, I will admit. I also will admit that I was a bit worried; it was the Chancellor after all.

He greeted me with a handshake and a smile, I returned in kind and we chatted for a small time before the official interview began. In this brief period, I found him to be a good speaker, very good. He was inviting, spoke warmly and also listened intently. He demonstrated the skills of a good listener, often commented on what was said with interest, adding bits about his own experiences on each topic.

After a small time spent in the "get to know you" portion of our conversation, we both agreed to formerly begin the interview, and the recorder was switched on.

It is important to note that I will leave out any and all colorful commentary and my own opinion. I have no urge to misquote or mislead with this segment and therefore will save my own musings until the end.

For my first question, I chose to give the entire interview a proper context and asked Chancellor Sorenson if he could please explain what his title entails; what are his responsibilities as a Chancellor, because I was unclear on the subject, as were many other students and faculty I have spoken to.

"My job is kind of a chief executive, much like the chief executive of a corporation," said Chancellor Sorensen. He manages the leadership team at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, setting the "direction for the vision and mission of the school."

To this end, he works closely with the Deans and Vice-Chancellors to further the progress of the campus as a whole.

My next question involved something that I, personally, have been dying to ask him for

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Fighting a grizzly with sausage

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

There are times in everyone's life when one has to rise to a challenge. Now, whether they're capable of starting that challenge, or even completing it, is another story. I recently had an experience in finishing a project that really tested me. Okay, it totally sucked. I planned and plotted out my course to finish it, but as the saying goes: "The best laid plans…" Well, I forget how the end of that one goes but suffice say; last week was like trying to fight a grizzly with a sausage. The more you try to stab him with it, the hungrier he gets, because from what I understand, bears like to eat that kind of stuff.

The class that this project, and its subsequent torment, came from is publication design. It's a design elective for graphic design majors, and I decided to take it to learn a little about typesetting and layout design. The good thing about the class is that it's a good source of knowledge for those functions. The bad thing is that this class has a pretty hefty workload. Our first project was to choose something that we could compile into a collection, and then design a book to appropriately showcase it.

Now, there was a lot of design work that was done, and redone, to produce the final file for this book, but we can skip over that. My biggest problem, and the reason that I wrote this article in the first place is the production of the physical book. Lets just say I had a little trouble with Murphy's Law the night I tried to complete my book.

I had my file printed at the student center at around 8 p.m., and as many of you know the service desk closes at 9 p.m. So, if I put together my book and screwed it up, that would leave me with about zero time to re-print it, for all of you math majors out there. That just meant that I had to be careful, but being careful has always been a struggle for me. Not that I'm not a gentle person, it's just that I have problems with impatience in my artwork sometimes.

I put my book together, and was ready to cut the edges to make them look all crisp and beautiful. I decided to use a cutter in one of the rooms in applied arts. Now, this cutter was a gamble as to whether or not it would cut everything nicely. I'll just put it this way, when I gamble, I tend to lose more than I win. Long story short, it was about 11 p.m., and I had wrecked up the margins of my book something awful. So, what did I do then? I freaked out!

I ran over to a friend's house who's in the same class. After telling her my plight, I found out that she could help me. I was able to reprint my book because she had the right size paper, and her roommate had a very good printer. I just had to redo everything I had already done that night. So, after spending forever and a day waiting for my top-notch pages to print nicely in the printer I was using and putting together a second book altogether. Finally, I was ready to make my cover. Of course, then I ended up cutting myself rather nicely while cutting the pieces of it, but my friend helped me finish, once I stopped bleeding a little.

The next day one of my friends' roommates took me to get the book cut professionally. I finished with an hour to spare before class. Some may accuse me of procrastinating and counting on too many things to work out for me. You're right. The lesson, though, is that luck can still favor the unprepared, sometimes anyway.

Success doesn't come without love

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

So you're graduating from college and you have no clue where you're going, or how to get there. You're just praying that the job you'll be getting is the job you actually wanted, and that all of this preparation for the so-called 'real world' actually helped.

Your success lies in your ability to be charming, but not fake, to be down to earth, but not sluggish. There is a fine line you must walk to get the cars you've been dreaming about since birth and the mansion over looking the ocean, or the Alps, or maybe a beautiful country scenery.

Hell, why not try to get all three? I mean assets make you successful, don't they? Maybe there is a place and time when material things don't matter but it's definitely not in a place we live called reality, or is it?

Success is a word that is used all the time. But what does it mean, or better yet, what does it mean to you?

To me, success is the ability to be loved. I'm not talking about the mushy kind of love that makes you sick when people display it in public. Although that kind of love isn't bad to have either.

When I went through a hard period of my life last semester, I had trouble believing I was capable of doing anything, let alone being loved. Yet as I started taking control of my life and actions again, I was in shock by all the people who never stopped believing in me.

There are people in my life that love me more even as I continued to screw up. They are the ones responsible for my life today and it never ceases to amaze me how much of ourselves we invest in other people, but how good it is to get the rewards of those investments.

I love to make people smile. I love it when I get my friends to laugh, it just makes me that much more happy. I realize now that those cars I've always seen and wanted to have, and the houses that would be so much fun to fill with designer furniture, can't fulfill me the way people can. I don't get rewards from buying them.

I could live a horrible life. I could be broke, homeless, beaten and bald when I die, but if I had even one person come to my funeral that I had positively impacted for the better, that loved me, then my life on Earth would have been completely worth it.

I don't mind falling down every now and again. I don't mind losing my way or feeling lost. I know that no matter what happens to me today or tomorrow, there will always be those people in my life that were put here to love me.

This is how I know I have been successful, at least thus far in my life. I have the ability to impact the entire world with my smile and hopefully there are people out there whose lives have been saved by my love.

So you're graduating from college and you have no clue where you're going or how you're going to get there. Don't worry, if you let it, love will be the fuel that will guide you to your ultimate success.

Remembering the impact Pope John Paul II had on all of us

Steve Tietz
Columnist

Pope John Paul II died this last weekend; let's take a moment to remember his charitable acts and words of peace. With that said and a moment of silence taken, we can all feel a little better about ourselves for acknowledging a beacon of peace and a man who was a bridge towards unity. Living in a nation that seems to be engaged in a crusade to end all evils with our might and threats of destruction, many have admired Pope John Paul II for his efforts to end communism, poverty, and war through positive outlets. Heads of State across the world should take a lesson from the life of Pope John Paul II, in particular our President.

People have criticized organized religion and its stand against many things such as abortion, monogamy, and the role of government within a society. Referencing Pope John Paul II, I am not making a stand for religion, but am merely encouraging people to take their beliefs and use it to help better our societies as the Pope did. We are the future leaders, dignitaries, executives, and voices of a superpower. Choose to lead by example and advocacy, or by might and threat?

To further outline my beliefs, I would like to say that I am neither a believer nor a disbeliever in organized religion. I am not criticizing organized religion nor am I advocating for it, but am merely stating that we all should lead lives with intention towards diplomacy, peace and care. If one chooses to lead with religion, politics, or a cause at heart, then lead with a generous intention.

I recently gave a speech on the homeless for a class with the intention of bringing awareness to the subject and the possibilities that we have as young adults to volunteer. The truth is much bigger than this though, we have the power as the youth of our nation, to speak up and raise our voices high and proclaim right over wrong, to scream for justice, to aid in the plight of the homeless and the poverty stricken, and we have the right to be heard.

Although, by proclaiming to be the voice of a generation is an overstatement, we seem to dwindle in tough talk and theories of correction.

As a generation of education and wealth, we claim to have the world by the balls, but the very things that we claim have given us dignity and right of way are also the very things that cripple us. Wealth and education are nothing without motivation, pride and direction. If we can't reach out and help our brothers in poverty then how do we intend to help ourselves become leaders?

Are we to rely on wealth and education to aid in our rise to the top of our social classes? When we reach the top of the social pyramid will we finally aid our brothers? We might extend our helping hands through foundations, but more often than not it seems those at the top are doing less to aid in causes and more to advance in politics.

The helping hand should start with the education of our youth and encourage them to make a stand now, so when they reach the top social class they are still contributing to matters that mean the most.

Pope John Paul II led a drive against injustice with religion at his side; others have led with a cause at heart such as homelessness, but whatever your drive may be, choose to lead with conviction.

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. led with conviction in his efforts to end racism and gain equality and it cost him his life.

We have a chance to lead and support a cause, to be heard and become people of pride, dignity and honor; to become people our children will admire and our fathers would respect. We will not die because we choose to be heard, we will not die because of our opinions, but are souls are dead already, if we choose to do nothing.

Interview /*Chancellor shares opinion on wage and more*

quite some time regarding his large yearly income.

"Do you feel that [the $175, 000 wage you receive] is a fair sum?"

Starting off he stated that, if you were to compare the wages his peers are making in similar schools that you would find that his own is below the average by $30,000 to $40,000.

According to Chancellor Sorenson, he earns his wage and started out as a low-man on the totem pole, with a teaching position at a high school in Denver, Colorado.

"It is reflective of the level of achievement that you have arrived at as an administrator," said Chancellor Sorenson.

He also pointed out that you must pay good money to get people of good quality. Referencing UW-Stout as a whole.

"That is what we have to do for our faculty, for our staff and for our senior administrators as well," Sorensen said. "They deserve to be in the positions that they are in."

The next few questions involved the laptop program. The first was an inquiry regarding the prevalence and importance of technology on this campus aslo if it actually improved the quality of our education.

Chancellor Sorensen stated that, initially, it was the students (specifically technology students), who pushed for the laptop program. He added that there were precedents in other universities and that they all experienced similar situations as UW-Stout has gone through with the implementation. He also acknowledged the backlash from faculty and students, but stated that eventual acceptance and an embracing of the program was at hand.

Soreneson even pointed out that several members of the English faculty have expressed that communication between students and instructors has increased a hundred fold since the laptop initiative started.

As a follow-up question, I addressed the problem of the lost buy-back option.

"We issued too fast, let me be honest with you. We thought we understood what they were saying about the purchase after graduation, and we were wrong about that. I don't know where the team is on that right now, but they are trying to negotiate some kind of situation so that the student body will have some kind of option on that. We were wrong. The team misunderstood, or there was bad communication."

I then inquired about another recent feather in UW-Stout's cap, the Malcolm Baldridge award. As I understood it, the award was originally set up for industry, not education. So, I asked if he could clear this up.

He spoke about how the honor was originally set up as an award for manufacturers in order to help push competition with Japan, who had overtaken us. Since then it has been adapted for other applications. In regards to education, it is awarded for the internal managing processes of higher education. He was careful to point out that it, in no way, affects what goes on in the classroom.

Instead, it strictly reflects achievement within the infrastructure of a school; it reflects how a school is run not what it teaches.

My last question for this article involved the rising cost of tuition. Since I first began my tenure here at UW-Stout, I personally have witnessed tuition rise approximately a thousand dollars a semester. (Note from Curt-I'm checking into this. I doubt it's right.) When I posed my concerns to the Chancellor he responded by saying that he too, is concerned by this trend.

According to Sorenson, part of the problem, is that the state has been steadily offering less support for its colleges.

Originally the state funded two-thirds of the costs involved in running the university but that support has dropped to roughly 55 percent in recent years.

He did point out that UW-Stout is still in the bottom quartile for tuition costs in the nation, but he is worried that if this trend continues we could see a reduction in the enrollment of many students in the lower income brackets.

There were more questions asked during the interview, but space restraints will not allow for them. So, I will wait until a later time to speak about why the school no longer serves alcohol through the dining services and what exactly our mascot is.

There you have it, straight from the Chancellor's mouth. It's as close as we are going to get to straight answers on, what I think, are some important questions. Everyone should already know my opinion on many of these topics; I've discussed them all before. Now it's time to make up your own mind.

Lastly, I would like to thank Chancellor Sorensen, of course, for taking the time to meet with me. It was appreciated.

Health Fair covers range of topics

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

Menomonie dwellers took advantage of an opportunity last week to experience and explore the numerous facets of health.

Several hundred people from the University of Wisconsin-Stout and the surrounding community participated in the Health Fair on Thursday, March 31 in the multi-purpose gym of the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Nearly 50 booths at the fair comprised a blend of student organizations, university vendors and community organizations.

"I thought [the Health Fair] would be more medical," said Charlene Schmidt, a UW-Stout dietetics instructor. "It had a nice multi-dimensional aspect—it even covered financial aspects of health."

The Health Fair was not just about proper diet and physical fitness: some booths emphasized the importance of mental wellness and even ethics.

"We want to bring back the need for ethics and good values," said Pam Gundrum, a graduate student in dietetics who ran the booth for Psi Upsilon Omnicron.

Gundrum urged Health Fair visitors to take a brief ethics quiz with examples of situations requiring ethical considerations.

"[People need to think about] whether the choices they make are beneficial or harmful to themselves or others," said Gundrum.

The fair also focused on health concerns of the aging. One booth offered bone density assessments for women over 25 years of age, who are at a greater risk for bone loss.

"[The fair] was more hands-on," said Schmidt.

While each booth offered a wealth of information, fair participants also took a lot of literature and other things home with them.

"I thought it was neat that they had a lot of free stuff," said Shannon Hermes, a sophomore in early childhood education.

Participants could enter to win free prizes including a bicycle and a computer. Several booths offered free food, therapeutic massages and product samples.

"Acoustic Café and University Dining Services had food there," said Scott Barthel, a senior in technical communication, "and [it was] pretty good food for being healthy [food]."

Natural medicine and some Eastern health practices were also part of the Health Fair.

"[Life] is all about breathing," said Andréa Gerasimo, a Yoga instructor who holds classes at the Menomonie Fitness Center and believes good breathing is importatnt for optimal health. "A lot of times people don't breathe enough when they are under stress."

Courtesy of SSDA

The Health Fair, held Thursday, March 31, encompassed more than just proper diet and fitness. It also featured booths about mental wellness and ethics. Many booths were also interactive.

Later in the afternoon, keynote speaker Peter Vogel gave a motivational presentation called "What's your Kilimanjaro?" at the Student Center. Vogel is a well-known personal trainer with a passion for mountain-climbing and cross-cultural understanding.

After he talked about his own experiences with setting and reaching goals, Vogel encouraged his audience to share their goals and plans for achieving them. He also talked about being healthy in body, mind and spirit.

Fair organizers hope to bring Vogel back to UW-Stout for an even larger health fair next year.

"We are thinking of bringing [the fair] back to the Student Center and bringing in many more students/staff, participants, vendors, companies and citizens," saif Aaron Fonder, president of the Stout Student Dietetics Association (SSDA).

"I want UW-Stout to be known for the good things we do for the community," said Fonder.

Techniques to incorporate fruits and vegetables into any diet

Ways to choose the best fruits and vegetables from the store and methods of using them in meals and snacks

Katie Bader
Columnist

Are you ever in the grocery store shopping for fresh fruits and vegetables and you're just not sure which to buy? Have you ever been so excited to find a cheap cantaloupe that looks fresh, only to get home and realize it is tasteless? Have you ever realized how incredibly expensive strawberries are?

Fresh fruits and vegetables are not easy to shop for. You don't always know if you are getting the same quality product as the previous time you bought them, unlike most other foods. To buy the best fruits and vegetables they must be compared, or at least studied, briefly before purchasing.

"When I go shopping, I'm not sure which fruits and vegetables are the best for me to buy, or which kind is the best deal," said Alison Weis, a junior majoring in packaging.

What to look for when picking out fresh fruit and vegetables

When looking for some healthier foods at the supermarket, many college students decide to pick up some fruit and vegetables.

Here is a guide to help find the right ones.

Bananas
Yellow, bruise free; light green for later use

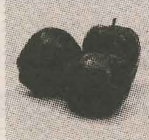
Carrots
Small to medium, bright orange and firm

Oranges
Firm, heavy with smooth skin, avoid soft, discolored oranges

Berries
No mold or bruises, firm and plump, best season to buy is summertime

Corn
Fresh, green husks with silk ends, cool to the touch, top is round

Peppers
Plump, bright colored, well shaped, crisp, firm, avoid peppers with a soft stem



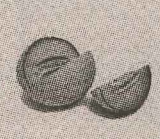
Apples
Firm, bruise free; if green, choose lighter green

Broccoli
Firm, tightly closed buds, may have bluish-purple color, avoid yellow flowers

Cranberries
Plump and firm, brighter are more tart than small dark berries

Pineapple
Orange or yellow skin, not green, base smells sweet, heavy with juice

Asparagus
Loose stalks, straight green with closed, compact tips



Cantaloupe
The heavier the better, firm with slight give, musky scent, bruise and dent free, uniform color and shape

Lettuce
Crisp, colorful heads (Don't store near apples or pears, they will cause lettuce to brown.)

Tomatoes
Firm, no discoloration, bruise free, feel tender and heavy, full red color

Illustration by Curt Trnka

Once you know what to look for and get in the habit of checking over the fresh produce before buying it, you will realize that the foods might be better tasting and last longer than in previous experiences.

The above chart contains a list of popular fruits and vegetables and what you should consider when choosing them.

Now that winter is ending, fresh fruits and vegetables should be more readily available and cheaper. Try to add more to your diet through snacks or by adding them to your cooking. Fresh produce is very healthy and provides many of the needed nutrients for the body.

A great way to get your daily fruit intake is through smoothies. There are many different flavors of smoothies, and they provide a refreshing treat after a workout or a long day of class. They do not take long to make and if you buy a large container of yogurt and a good supply of fruit, you will have all the ingredients for a smoothie on hand.

Smoothies are never boring because you can experiment with different combinations of

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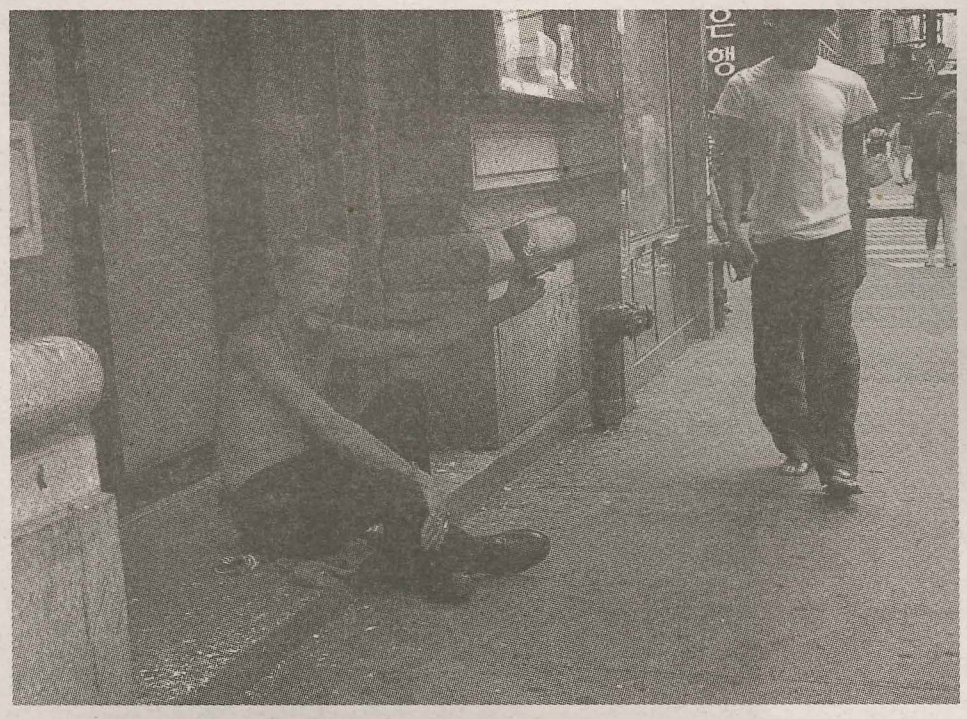
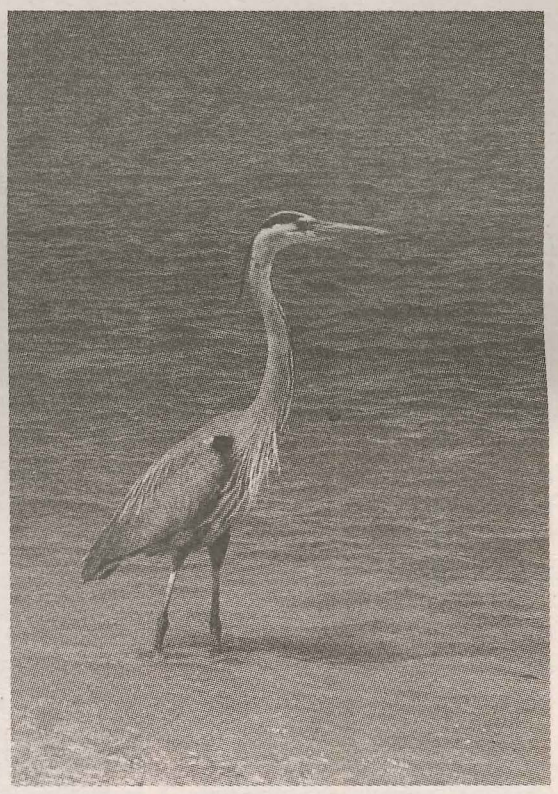
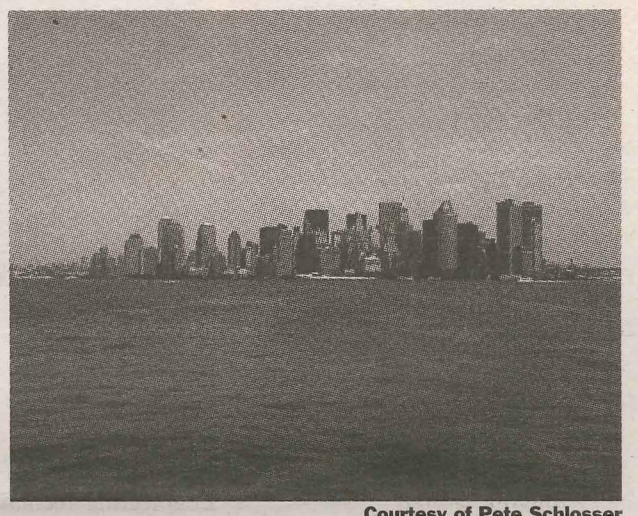
Stout grad helps others graduate

By Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor







Courtesy of Pete Schlosser

Pete Schlosser passes his love of photography on to his students. He took the above photographs on excursions to other cities. The heron was photographed in Florida, two photos were shot in New York and the fourth was photographed on the airplane back from New York.

Many would assume that photography teachers would daydream about getting that one perfect picture, but Pete Schlosser has other thoughts on his mind.

"Never really thought about it," said Schlosser. "I shoot a large variety now, not many individuals, though, [so maybe] children in a poor area of the world."

Schlosser is part of the communications, education and training department, at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, the institution that gave him his diploma. He first received his Bachelor of Science in Technical Communication in 1979. Then, in the 1980s, he proceeded to continue learning at UW-Stout and obtained a Masters of Science in Media Technology.

After working in the field, Schlosser came back to UW-Stout to teach.

"I love photography and teaching," said Schlosser. "Due to expanding programs and retirements, a position was open, and I was encouraged to apply. I have lived in the community since college, so it was not a hard choice."

He has taught a variety of classes such as: Elementary Photography, Communications and Information Technology; Digital Video Production; Color Photography; Advanced Photography; Adobe ACE Photoshop Certification and Digital Photography. He has also taught graphic communications management courses.

"He is a very committed professor," said Elizabeth Bailey, a recent UW-Stout graduate who studied photography. "[He] pours his heart out into his teaching, and it shows through the results that his students produce."

With so many courses under his belt, Schlosser knows more answers about the campus and photography than most students have questions.

"He has a great answer for any question that any student might have," said Emily Sederstrom, a graduate in graphic design and a former teacher's aide for Schlosser. "He not only is a great teacher, but he has an impressive background. He has traveled all over the world and also ran his own business."

Having taught a large number of UW-Stout students, it is safe to assume that Schlosser has had a good impact on a large percentage of them.

"His courses are challenging with a lot of assignments," said Bailey, "I have always appreciated the extent of knowledge that I have gained by being pushed in several different directions on assignments. I've learned more from Pete than the average photo student because I have taken extra time to meet with him. He has helped to push me as a photographer and encouraged me to pursue it as a career opportunity as well."

Others agree that Schlosser gives students important skills to use in the real world.

"I have never heard anyone say anything but great things about the classes that they have taken with him," said Sederstrom.

When asked to share his favorite memory of UW-Stout, Schlosser said, "I really enjoy the photography classes, nothing in particular, just helping students achieve their goals or, better yet, opening their eyes to a new world."

Schlosser believes that graphic communications relies very heavily on photographic images to convey information.

"As a designer, customer service rep., press manager or any other role that you may have in the future, it is important that you are a good consumer of photography," said Schlosser. "At the very least, you will be able to understand and appreciate what is a good image and what the possibilities are."

On August 14, 2003, when the blackout happened in Queens, New York, Schlosser had the good fortune of being in a position to capture many astonishing images.

"I try to impress on people that it is not luck, it's leaving yourself open to possibilities," said Schlosser, "[and then] being equipped to capitalize on the moment and seizing the opportunity. I have some incredible pictures from that night [in Queens]; many people ran for home and didn't realize the potential for images."

Look for a future article in *The Stoutonia* regarding Photo Club events. Two speakers will be coming to UW-Stout on May 9 with roots in multimedia, photography and education.

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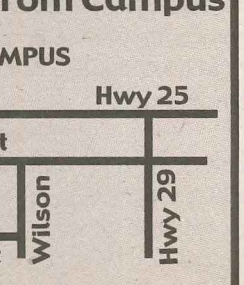

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If you could eat any endangered species, what would it be and what would you have on the side?

"White tiger with a side dish of sea turtle."

Dave Cash
Technical Education
Senior

"Panda pizza with zebra fries."

Courtney Stensven
Family and Consumer Sciences Education
Senior

"Koala bear with a side of mac and cheese."

Ciarah Coenen
Interior Design
Senior

"Bald eagle with mashed potatoes."

Andrew Smith
Engineering Technology
Sophomore

Cooking / *Fruity recipes*

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fruits and even some vegetables like carrots.

"I could live off of strawberry banana smoothies," said Brooke Ruegg, a sophomore in service management. She uses this recipe to make her favorite smoothie.

Strawberry Banana Smoothie

1 small container strawberry banana low fat yogurt
Handful frozen strawberries
1 fresh banana, sliced
1/3 cup of milk

1. Combine all ingredients in blender.

2. Blend until smooth.

3. Pour into a glass.

**If you're not a fan of strawberries or bananas, substitute them with fresh or frozen peaches, berries, kiwi, nectarines, apricots, or oranges and use your favorite yogurt.*

Fruits can be prepared in many different ways right in your dorm room. Obviously, eating a raw apple or peeling a banana isn't hard work, but there are other ways to prepare fruits other than just eating them raw.

For a new way to eat a banana, try sprinkling brown sugar on slices and microwaving on high until the sugar melts.

You could also try chunky microwave applesauce. All you need are a few ingredients, a knife, vegetable peeler, cutting board, a microwave safe dish and a microwave.

Chunky Microwave Applesauce

2 apples
1/4 cup orange juice
2 Tablespoons honey
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon

1. Peel, core and chop the two apples. Place in microwave-safe dish.

2. Stir in the orange juice, honey and cinnamon.

3. Cover with paper towel or plastic wrap and microwave for 8 minutes.

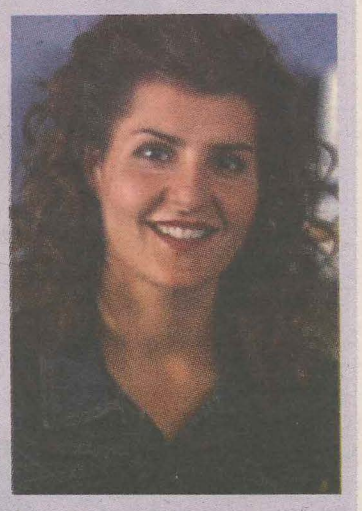
4. Let stand 3 minutes and enjoy!

Keep in mind fruits and vegetables not only ward off colds and flu, but also fight cancer, heart disease, obesity and osteoporosis. They also protect and enhance the skin.

Next time you are grocery shopping, stop and check out the produce section.

Look-a-Likes

Nicole Dzimiela
Graphic Design
Senior



Nia Vardalos
Actress
My Big Fat Greek Wedding

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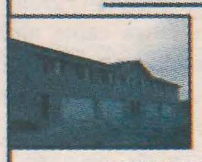

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April 7 to April 14

Thursday, April 7
>Thursday Night Out, Rec. Center, 8 p.m.
>Music: Jason Levasseur, Rec Center, 8 p.m., free.
>Twins vs. White Sox, Metrodome, bus departs at 5 p.m., $10 for bus and ticket.

Friday, April 8
>Movie: Jess James Meets Frankenstein's Daughter, Blind Munchies Coffeehouse, 7 p.m., 18+, free.
>Music: Ian Alexy, Acoustic Café, 8 p.m., free

Saturday, April 9
No events scheduled.

Sunday, April 10
>Closing ceremony: Self-Taught and Intuitive Artists, Furlong Gallery, 4:30-6:30 p.m., free.
>Eau Claire Chamber Orchestra, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., $12 students.

Monday, April 11
>Gallery opening: the D.E.T. Foundation, Student Gallery 209 AA, 5:30-9 p.m.

Tuesday, April 12
No events scheduled.

Wednesday, April 13
>Music: Eyedea, special guests Brother Ali and The Crest, Huff's, 7:30 p.m., free.
>Play: Pippin, Harvey Hall Theater, 7:30 p.m., $10.

Thursday, April 14
>Play: Pippin, Harvey Hall Theater, 7:30 p.m., $10.
>Open Mic Night, Acoustic Café, 8 p.m., free.
>Strength Competition, Sports & Fitness Center, 7-9 p.m.

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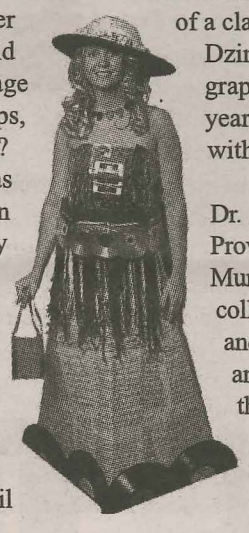
Jessica Boe
Entertainment Writer

How would we dress if mankind had never developed fabric? Would we still be back in the age of the ice men in the Alps, wearing leaves and grass?

This question has many students in the design program desperately brainstorming to come up with a material to use for an outfit to be worn in this year's Fashion without Fabric showcase. The event will take place during Family Weekend, Saturday, April 16 at 8 p.m. in the Great Hall.



A dress made from bubble gum wrappers or some pants made of the finest Reynold's Tin Foil, anyone?

This year 120 design students led by professors Tim Alberg, Marc Kallsen and Ben Pratt from the art department will use all of their creativity and inventiveness to bring The University of Wisconsin-Stout an exciting new glimpse into the world of fashion.

They will be hosting one of the craziest fashion shows anyone could imagine.

The amount of time and energy art students put forth into creating art is amazing.

"The most exciting part about being involved is seeing the ingenuity and imagination of students and allowing them to show it off outside the confines of a classroom," said Nicole Dzimiela a senior in graphic design and this year's director of Fashion without Fabric.

Judges will be Dr. Robert Sedlak, the Provost, Dr. John Dean Murphy, the dean of the college of arts & sciences and Tamara Brantmeier, an assistant professor in the art department.

"Being entertained by the materials and items chosen and how they are formed to the body is always fun and intriguing," said Dzimiela. "It gives Stout a chance to see the creativity, hard work, and effort put forth by the design students. I also think it's time to have a little fun with our education; take a breather from the grind of class, and be entertained by the outcome of it. And do so in the relaxed and entertaining atmosphere of a fashion show. If you need something to do with your family, this is perfect to spark some energy and laughter."

"Past shows were hilarious," said Jeanette Grochowski, a UW-Stout graduate. "And some things were very risque." Grochowski can't wait to see this year's show.

Many people can't wait to see the wacky and crazy ideas that students come up with. The imagination goes wild with so many options. For those who really appreciate fashion, this is the ultimate show.

As an added bonus to attending the show, the Ceramics Guild and Fine Arts Association will be holding their spring sale in front of the Great Hall before and afterwards. This is another great opportunity to view some of the finest art that students have created.

The qualities and prices of the art are very reasonable.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Memorial Student Center and are $3 for students, $4 for faculty and staff, $5 for general admission. There will be an additional $1 if purchased on the day of the show.

Rock band makes fans hurt so good

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

Friday, April 1 is commonly known as April Fools day. The concert at The Blind Munchies coffee house, however, was anything but a joke.

The band Ever Ready came and put on one of the free shows that The Blind Munchies is known for and brought the house down.

The four-member group from Waterloo, Iowa came and played an energetic set that lasted nearly an hour and had the crowd screaming for more.

"My neck hurts because I was head banging so much," said Nathan Pieper, a freshman majoring in graphic design.

The rest of the crowd seemed to feel the same way, yelling for an encore at the end. The band agreed by finishing with an old song of theirs, which they performed with excellence.

During the concert, the crowd moshed and jumped to the beat. Bassist Neil Matthias and vocalist Ethan Albertson both took their turns joining the crowd in the mosh pit.

The other two members, guitarist Ian Wass and drummer Cliff Carlson showed their enthusiasm by energetically playing with passion on stage.

After the music portion of the set was over, Matthias asked the crowd to sit where they were as he shared his testimony.

"I am not trying to force my story on anyone, but I like it, and I have a microphone," said Matthias.

He talked about how he had been on an extremely wrong path and how Wass showed him the path of salvation.

"The best part was the talk at the end when [Matthias] shared his testimony," said Jessica Board, a sophomore majoring in marketing.

During the show, a raffle had been going on and the winner got to choose one item from The Blind Munchies merchandise table.

Proceeds from the raffle went to the band.

Ever Ready has only been playing together for two years, although their talent suggests much longer. Wass and Matthias had been playing together since high school.

They then heard about Carlson, who had been drumming since 8th grade, and the three got together. Shortly after, they saw a sign that Ethan put up about starting a band, so out of the mist came Ever Ready.

They currently have one CD and are recording their second now, hoping to release it in May 2005.

As a band, they have excellent melodies similar to Crossfade and are like a more metal inspired Incubus. The concert was a big hit: well received by the crowd, an energetic show and excellent music.

"Finally, something from Iowa that rocks," said Seamus Dwyer, an undecided freshman.

http://www.iowarock.com/everready

Ever Ready, one of the latest Christian Rock bands to evolve from Iowa, left head bangers with a cramped neck the next morning.

Lyrics that come from the soul

Musician Matt Marka comes to UW-Stout with a talent that shines

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Whether in the Memorial Student Center for a bite to eat or for a free game of pool last Thursday, March 31, everyone who entered the lower level couldn't help but stop to hear Matt Marka's performance.

The event, sponsored by Blue Devil Productions was free for anyone who wanted to attend and took place at 8 p.m. in the Recreation Center.

Austin Gullixson, a University of Wisconsin-Stout senior, did a very amusing opening puppet act in which two different hand puppets carried on hilarious conversations with each other and Gullixson.

After letting the puppets say good-bye to the crowd, Marka was forced to stop goofing around at a back table and tune his guitar on the front stage.

Playing solo and armed only with his voice and a guitar, Marka started off by easing into his softer songs. With a stage presence that demands to be watched, Marka soon had the attention of everyone in the audience and those who floated in and out throughout the evening.

Marka has a very gentle yet at times strained sound to his voice that communicates the emotions of his lyrics.

"I just came to play pool but the live entertainment was even better than the free game," said Jeff Colliert, a freshman undecided major. "He had a lot of good lyrics."

Even with his faster songs, Marka's ability to hit an emotion with his lyrics and tone and use his guitar chords to help expand these invoked feelings was exceptional.

His sound can be described as a mix between rock, blues and country music, although more a mix of the first two than the latter.

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

Matt Marka has a smooth voice with a very energetic style that captures the attention of anyone within hearing distance.

Coming from the Twin Cities, Marka has been working his way around the Midwest for the past several years.

His lighthearted attitude and fun way of connecting with the crowd are the second and third reasons he has done so well with his career. The first reason he's done so well, of course, would be his raw talent.

Although he is currently looking into gaining a drummer and a bass player to form a band instead of a solo project, he has no definite plans for the future as to which direction he will be taking.

For more information and pictures about Marka, as well as sound bytes, go to his Web site at http://www.mattmarka.com.

Spring play to open

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

The classic Broadway musical "Pippin" is coming to the University of Wisconsin-Stout later this month.

The story concerns the title character: the son of King Charlemagne and his search for self-fulfillment and his place in life.

With energetic songs and extremely biting social satire, the play follows Prince Pippin as he tries his hand at war, politics, pursuits of the flesh and finally domesticity.

"Pippin" opened on Broadway in 1972, directed by Bob Fosse, the man responsible for "Chicago" and "Cabaret." As a result, the musical features one dance number after another, all done in the very sensual, sleek type of movement characteristic of Fosse.

"What we're trying to achieve with our rendition of "Pippin" is something reflecting the original Fosse interpretation but with a little edgier, darker style," said director Paul Calenberg.

While most directors try to get their plays to be as close to the original as possible, Calenberg is putting a new twist on an old favorite.

"It's a little more of a modern take, with less of the 70's sensibilities in production design and a more contemporary feel," said Calenberg.

"The design is going for something you might find in, say, an urban underground techno dance club, someplace where you're not sure of what might be lurking around the corner."

The cast and crew are already on their way to making this a memorable performance.

Calenberg thought that the production was moving very quickly and thus far a lot has been accomplished. He also mentioned that they are ahead of schedule, which is a rarity for most plays.

"Everyone working on the show has been very focused and hardworking, and it's been a smooth ride," said Calenberg.

The cast ranges in terms of personality types and abilities.

A number of people who have never been onstage before are making their debut in this show, and performing alongside them are veterans of university productions.

"We have a very talented cast," Calenberg said. "They're very energetic and take their jobs very seriously. We also have Dr. Jim Miller, the director of the UW-Stout theater program, in the role of Charlemagne.

"He's a very fine performer, and his professionalism and acting abilities have helped to elevate the other performances."

"Pippin: A Musical" opens at the Harvey Hall Theatre April 13-16 with a curtain time of 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the show may be purchased at the Memorial Student Center Service Desk or by phone at (715) 232-1431. Tickets will also be available at the lobby box office in Harvey Hall on show days one hour prior to curtain time.

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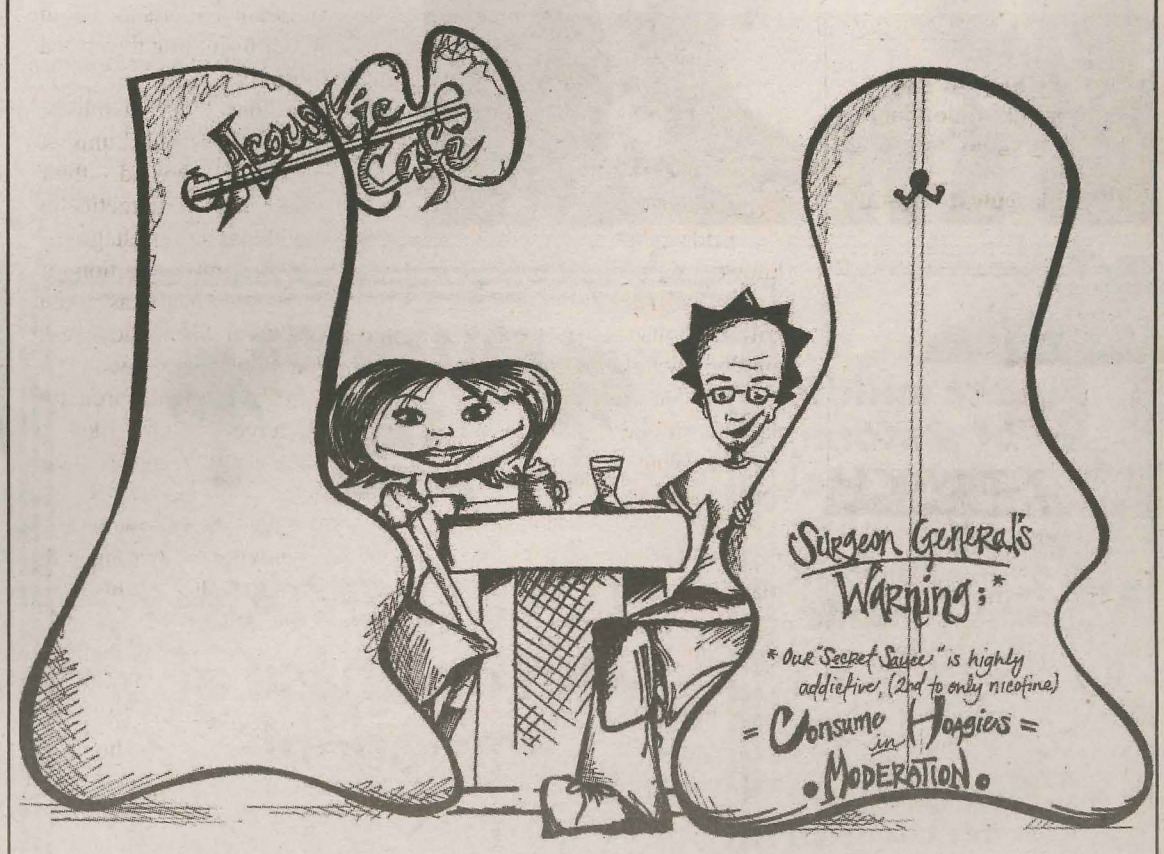

Sin colors the screen in black & white

Kyle Kingston & Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writers

"Sin City" first appeared in the mid-1990s as a series of graphic novels by Frank Miller. The series quickly became the poster-child for the anti-comic book movement.

Angry parents and politicians held up "Sin City" as an example of everything that was wrong with comic books of the time, citing its over-the-top violence as harmful to children, as though children were the intended audience anyway.

The world of Basin "Sin" City is steeped in the worst kinds of corruption: honest cops are the exception, and clergy and politicians work hand in glove indulging their greed, ambition, and perversions amidst the urban ruin they control.

The antiheroes Frank Miller populates Sin City with are barely any better: they're psychotic, obsessed, jaded and quite skilled in violence. Their saving grace is their ability to believe in something higher than themselves and to let this selflessness drive them.

The graphic novels are drawn in a harsh feral noir style, fitting their gritty subject matter. Very little, if any of the novels, contain gray-stark contrasts of black and white, with splashes of color here and there for things like blood and eye color.

The stories themselves are pastiches of old pulp magazines with cynical voice-over narration and over-the-top violence. Women are "dames" and everyone seems to have a gun.

What does any of this have to do with the "Sin City" that topped last weekend's box office with $28.1 million? If it were a normal comic book adaptation like "Spider Man" or "Batman," this kind of background would be unnecessary.

Because the public sees these characters as something larger than the comics that spawned them, filmmakers seldom see the need to stay true to the source material. But with "Sin City," possibly for the first time in history, a comic has actually made it to the big screen intact.

The filmmakers show complete reverence to their subject matter. No pulled punches or diluted storylines here.

Frank Miller receives equal directing credit alongside Robert Rodriguez, and it's worth noting that Robert Rodriguez resigned his commission with the Director's Guild of America in order to give Miller directing credit. (Quentin Tarantino is also brought in as a "guest director" for a scene in the movie's second act.)

The film doesn't adapt as transcribe the series' first three installments, and as a result the story structure is episodic. Think "Pulp Fiction," but even more violent.

Bruce Willis has his first great role in a while as an old, honest cop who sacrifices everything to save a girl from the child-molesting son of a senator.

Clive Owen expertly plays an escaped murderer out to protect a town of gun-toting whores in the second (and weakest) third of the movie, though it's interesting that Owen's tarnished knight is trying to protect women who obviously can take care of themselves.

But the standout performance in "Sin City" belongs to Mickey Rourke in the performance of his career. Yes, you read that right. Barely recognizable through makeup that makes him into a Frank Miller illustration come to life, Rourke plays Marv, a craggly-featured, seemingly invulnerable giant.

http://www.movies.yahoo.com

(above and left) The creaters of the movie had to take the comic book pictures and mirror the images for real characters.

Shrugging off beatings and bullets, Marv is on a crusade to avenge Goldie, a prostitute who showed him kindness, and there's no helping anyone that gets in his way.

On the surface Marv appears and acts like a simple-minded monster, but the character has surprising depth. The way he goes about finding who's responsible for his friend's death is less about deduction than about stirring things up to see what happens.

He's unsophisticated, but his determination somehow makes him sympathetic, if not lovable.

"Sin City" is not without some defects. The opening features an exchange between Willis and perennial movie creep Michael Madsen that feels forced. Madsen is the film's only casting mistake.

Though the digital effects are brilliant, occasionally the backgrounds feel too soft and cartoon-like, especially in the scenes where characters drive cars.

Like the original comic books, this film is in no way meant for kids. The over-the-top violence has always been meant as parody, but this hardly diminishes its controversy. Yes, church groups are probably already boycotting this movie.

This is the only movie I've ever seen that has multiple castrations. Bullets are used "like candy," people lose limbs, and there's cannibalism thrown in for good measure.

The body count is such that a drinking game based off it would be dangerous: you'd be under the table in minutes.

Believe it or not, this is actually part of the movie's charm, though it's hard to explain why without sounding a little depraved. With its great performances, beautiful shots and a harshly powerful story that practically demands your attention from start to finish, "Sin City" will definitely be talked about.

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Dedicated gamers get serious at LAN party

Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

They take place in dark rooms, illuminated only by the eerie glow of faint lights. The sounds heard inside include gunshots and grenades. The people there frequently scream "Die!" and "No!" among tormented profanities. What are they?

They're local area network (LAN) parties. Last Friday, the People's Organization of Network Gaming (PONG) hosted the April Fool's LAN party; their second LAN party this semester in the JTC lounge.

PONG is an association dedicated to bringing gamers together here at University of Wisconsin-Stout. Currently in their fourth year, the organization provides a way for gamers around campus to socially interact offline while still enjoying online gaming.

For those that don't know, LAN parties work fairly simple. Multiple computers are directly connected to a central server, which in turn connects the individual computers together. The same game can then be played on all computers through the central server.

"We try to have two to three LAN parties a year," said Joel Bernstein, a senior in Applied Math and the president of PONG. "The turnouts are growing."

And this LAN party was no exception. There were over three dozen men in and out of the party from its beginnings at 6:00 p.m until the early morning hours.

The highlighted games of this LAN party included Counter-Strike Source, Half-Life 2, Unreal Tournament 2004 and Gran Turisimo 4. For each of these tournaments, a winner was declared and prizes were awarded.

"I'm here for the Gran Turismo 4 Tournament," said Marc "Gristle McThornbody" Hannum, a senior in applied science. "I give it nine thumbs up."

In addition, there were Dance Dance Revolution pads and Lord of the Rings movies playing in the background. After the Gran Turismo 4 Tournament, the Playstation 2s were free for other games.

So even if a gamer was counted out of a tournament, it was unlikely that he became bored waiting for the next one. "This LAN party is a lot better than usual, in terms of more stuff to do," said Ryan Emrich, a junior in general business.

The LAN party even attracted gamers from other schools. "I'm having a blast!" said AJ Kushcel, a physics/engineering major from University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse. There were at least two other guys from different campuses attending as well.

For the first few hours, the LAN party was an open free-for-all, mainly focusing on Counter-Strike Source. This also provided a gap for more gamers to come and set up. For gamers having trouble connecting, the friendly and informed staff, as well as other gamers, were ready to help solve the problems.

"When I became vice president, I knew I'd be spending less time gaming and more time helping other gamers," said Matt Zajack, a freshman in computer science and vice president of PONG.

At around 10:30 p.m. the tournaments began. It started with Counter-Strike Source and Gran Turismo 4. Next was Unreal Tournament 2004, and last was Half-Life 2 Deathmatch, which was "Probably our most intense game," said Zajack.

Winners of each tournament were awarded with prizes from the sponsors of the event. The sponsors included Bawls, Corsair, Cooler Master, nVidia, and even ATI, a company well known for its amazing graphics cards. In addition, there were raffle prizes such as caps, posters and bumper stickers given away all night long.

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Early in the evening, gamers couldn't wait to get started, but as the clock rounded to 1:30 a.m., most gamers were on the way home.

The winners were Marc Hannum for Gran Turismo 4, Scott "FA Python" Knapp for Unreal Tournament 2004 and Adam "Puppeteer" Born for Half-Life 2 Deathmatch. Team Four won the Counter-Strike Source Tournament.

That didn't stop the fun. Gamers came at 6:00 p.m. and stayed until the end of the tournaments at 1:30 a.m. Even afterwards, gamers were allowed to stay for more open gaming.

"This LAN party was one of our best," said Bernstien.

"This is our crowning achievement," added Vermes.

LAN parties are an excellent way for gamers to meet and interrelate. They provide an open and mutual environment while still allowing gamers to have fun and be themselves without worrying about being stared at for acting inane.

So whether you're a serious network gamer or just starting, strongly consider the benefits of joining PONG. For more information, check out their Web site at http://pong.uwstout.edu.

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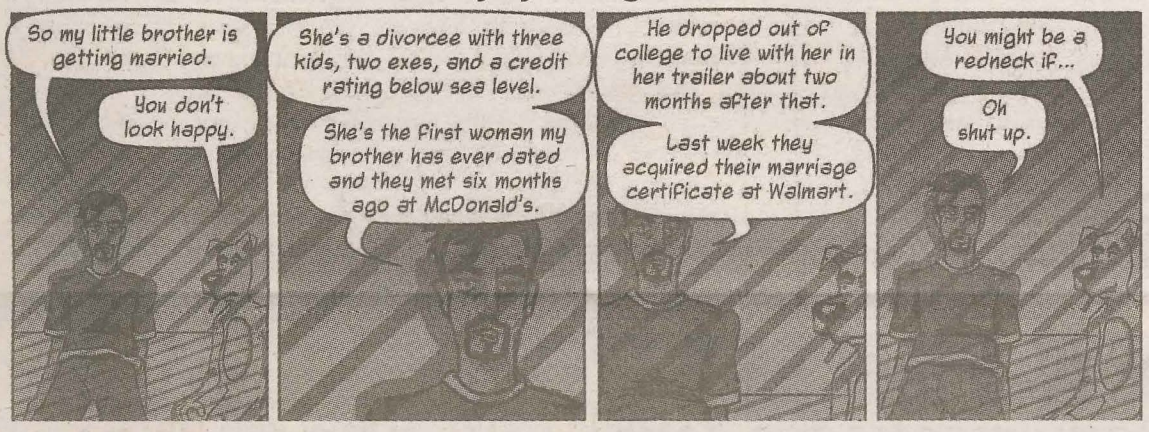

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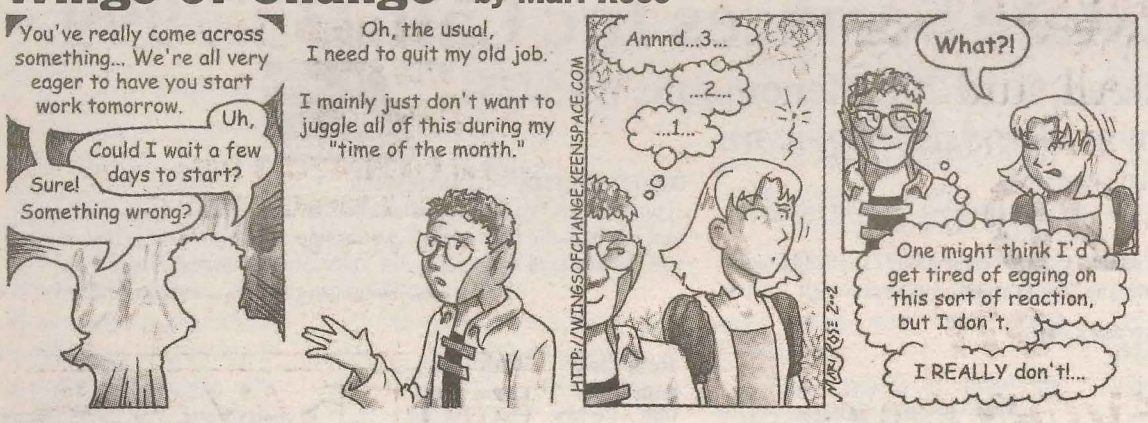

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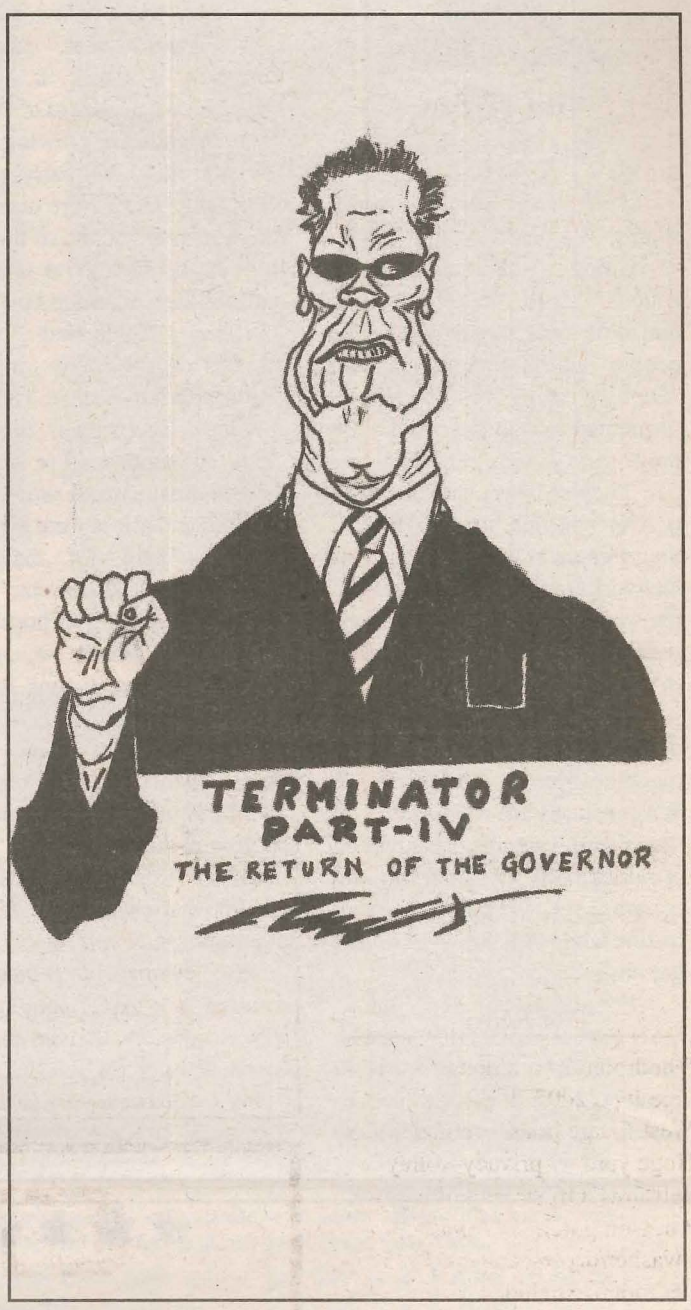

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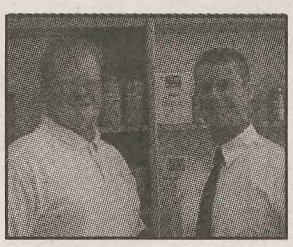

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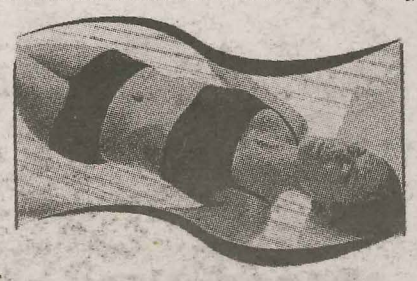

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Spring season begins

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Spring has arrived, and it's time for the lady Blue Devils tennis team to return to the court. The University of Wisconsin-Stout women's tennis team will begin play on April 6 when they travel to St. Paul to take on Hamline University.

The team will be looking to have a better start to the spring season after coming out bumpy in the fall, only winning one of their first eight games.

On the upside, the tennis team has a young squad, with only one senior. The team may struggle, at first, but in the long run, this situation could make the team stronger and more competitive.

"They have worked out together and have been in the fitness center getting ready for the up coming season," said head coach Mark Noll.

The squad is bringing back five sophomores, two juniors, and thirteen freshmen have jointed the team. With a lot of interest among younger players, it will be key for the veterans to help build a solid program.

The loss of senior Tina Rodin will be the biggest void for the team to fill. Rodin, last season's team captain, had her eligibility end after the fall season. Rodin placed fourth in the No. 6 singles of the 2003 WIAC tournament. She also led the team in singles victories with five, including three in conference play.

Last season's fall record for the team was 4-10, which shows that there is a lot of work to do. The team has higher expectations for this spring.

"Our team has been working out and practicing to get ready for the big season," said senior Nicole Hayek.

Having practiced in the off-season, the team is looking for improvement on the court this season. Jenna Bettmann will take Rodin's spot and will play some No. 1 and No. 2 matches this spring.

"Jenna has made the biggest improvement of anyone," says Noll.

Another team member who has varsity experience is junior Cecily Hiner. Hiner played No. 4 singles and No. 2 doubles last season.

"She has lots of tools to use on the court; now she just puts everything together in the upcoming matches," said Noll.

The upcoming meet at Hamline University is somewhat of a rivalry for the Blue Devils. The team had two close matches with this team the over the last two years.

On April 16, the team travels to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, a team they defeated in the regular season the past two years. With competition that is equal the Blue Devils have a chance to start the season off solid and gain momentum that will last through the rest of the season.

"I am anxious, and I know the team as well is anxious in getting back on the court," said Hayek.

What to do?

By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

Are you still in your room eating ramen noodles and watching TV? Well, it's time to get outdoors. The weather is warming up and the sun is out, which leaves many students wondering what to do with their time in Menomonie.

Outdoor sports and activities can be the answer. Here is a list of some of the things that people can do to tone up and kill some free time.

Basketball

The courts are melted off and dry, so playing some hoops is now an option. While playing basketball, one is sure to break a sweat and get a tan, not to mention a full workout.

Soccer/Jogging

Like running but lack motivation? Playing soccer is an exellent source of cardio activity. Not interested in soccer? A run on the track will do the same for those who really want to get, and stay, in shape.

Volleyball

The sandpits are warming up and volleyball is one of the most popular past times on campus. Nothing compares to the feeling of spiking a ball off a scrawny freshman's head. Plus the sand on your feet is a good reminder that it won't be long before beach season.

Tennis

As it turns out, a tennis ball can be used for more than beaming an RA in the head. The tennis courts are located up the hill just south of the football field. With the approaching warm weather, tennis is a great way to be active and enjoy the season with friends.

Bicycling & Roller Blading

A set of wheels not powered by gasoline is a great way to stay in shape this spring. Roller blading, biking, even those funny little scooters are a great way to stay active and enjoy the weather.

Tanning

For those who avoid a physical workout at all costs, laying out for a tan is the only hope for looking like they are in shape this season. Tanning is a great way to relax, but avoid falling asleep. Otherwise, the rest of the summer may need to be spent indoors on ice.

In the end, each of these examples leads back to the same point; Wisconsin is only this beautiful for a limited amount of time. Get outside, get active and enjoy it.

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Being a part of an ultimate sport

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

Do you have fun playing organized sports, but wish there weren't referees? Ultimate Frisbee might be the game that you've been searching for.

Ultimate Frisbee is a non-contact game that is played on a soccer field. The Ultimate Players Association describes the game as "combining the non-stop movement and athletic endurance of soccer with the aerial passing of football."

Teams of seven players try to get the Frisbee into their opponent's endzone. Players aren't allowed to run with the Frisbee, but instead must pass it between teammates and catch it in the end zone.

Ultimate frisbee is also unique because it is governed by what is called "The Spirit of the Game." This means that players are responsible for recognizing fair play, without referees. Sportsmanship is a huge part of the game. Defenders are responsible for counting out time of possession and all players are responsible for calling their own fouls.

"It is an amazing game, with a community unlike that of any other sport," says Joe Hillary, team treasurer. "People are competitors on the field and friends off the field. Ultimate is a pure sport, eliminating many of the problems that come with organized athletics."

The UW-Stout Frisbee club was formed in the mid 1980s, and was originally called the Disketeers. The club went through some ups and downs and was disbanded for a little while, but has made a huge comeback in recent years.

Ultimate Frisbee is on the rise throughout the nation, with new teams forming each year.

"Ultimate Frisbee is a great way to get some exercise and good times are had by all," said Tim Beier, team president. "This is my sixth year of Ultimate and I don't plan on stopping anytime soon."

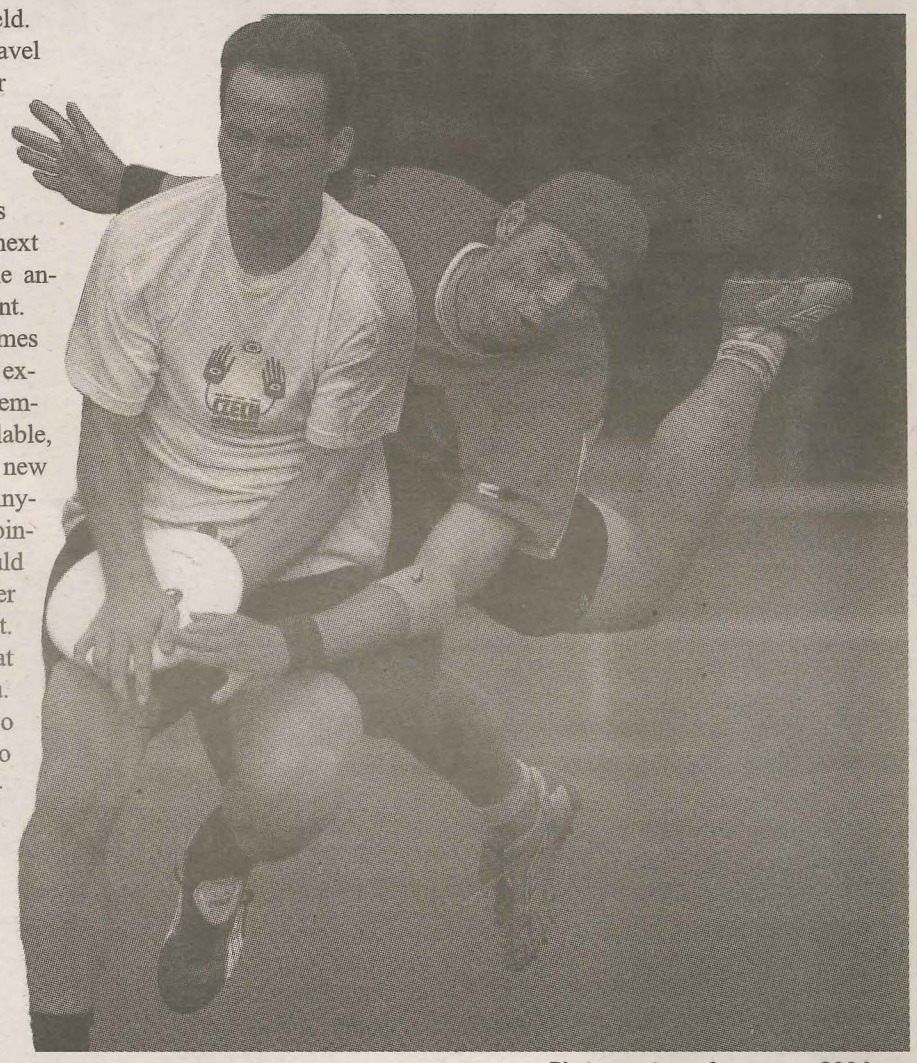
The team currently has around 20 members, is co-ed, and its members compete against other University club teams throughout the state.

On April 10, practices will begin outside and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11 p.m. at Nelson Field.

The club will travel to UW-Whitewater for the upcoming Midnight Dream Tournament this semester and also hopes to host a tournament next fall in addition to the annual winter tournament.

The team welcomes anyone regardless of experience or skill. Members are always available, and willing to teach new people the sport. Anyone interested in joining the team should contact Tim Beier at beierti@uwstout.edu, or Joe Hillary at hillaryj@uwstout.edu.

The team also encourages people to check out their Website at http://ultimate.uwstout.edu/ or learn more about Ultimate Frisbee at www.upa.org.



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Ultimate frisbee is a game that consists of non-stop movement and constant action. Most ultimate frisbee is played on a soccer field.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Senior Laura Verdegan added two more wins to her outstanding track & field career this weekend at Elmhurst College Quad-Plus last weekend in Chicago.

Verdegan's two victories came in the long jump, with a distance of 18-feet, four inches; and the triple jump with a leap of 37-feet, one inch.

She continued to find her way to the podium by capturing three second place finishes at the tournament.

Her time of 16 seconds, landed her second place in the 100-meter hurdles, Verdegan also snagged silver in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of one minute eight seconds.

As a member of the 4x400-meter relay team, Verdegan and her team members, placed second with a time of four minutes, 14 seconds.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (4-12)

The Blue Devils split the series with UW-La Crosse on April 6, winning the first game 15-7, before dropping the second 12-2.

Next Game:
April 7 at Viterbo University

Tennis

The Blue Devils open the sesaon on April 6 vs. Hamline

Next Match:
April 14 hosting Martin Luther College

Track & Field

The Blue Devil women took first at the 10-team Elmhurst College Quad-Plus on April 2 in Elmhurst, Ill.

Next Event:
Men and Women April 9 at UW-River Falls Invite

Softball (3-8)

The Blue Devils split the series with UW-La Crosse on April 6, losing the first game 10-0 before winning the second 6-5

Next Game:
April 11 hosting Hamline University

MLB '05 Season Preview

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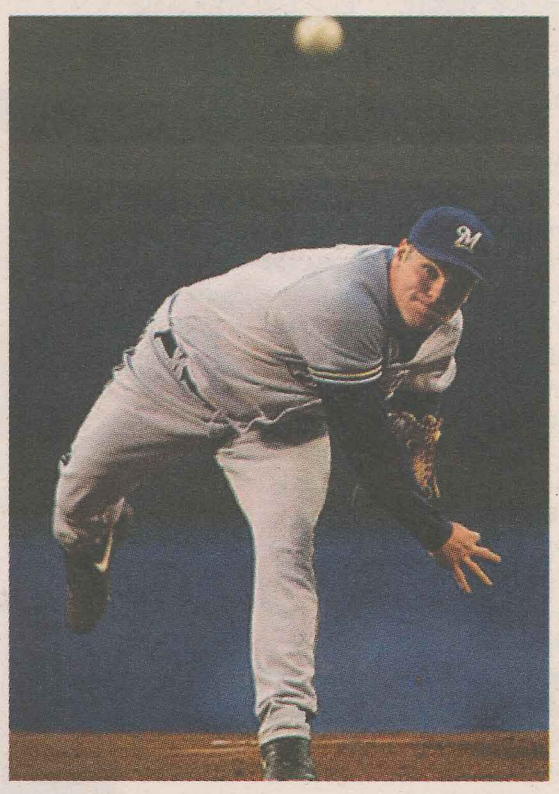

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Major League Baseball threw out the first pitch on April 3. Ben Sheets, left, and Johan Santana are being expected to lead the Milwaukee Brewers and Minnesota Twins, respectively, to quality seasons.

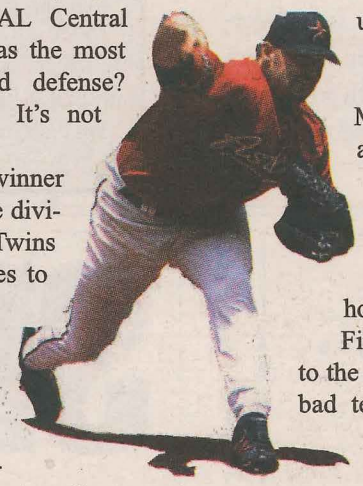
Cue the Baseball Tonight theme song. It's baseball season!

Last year at this time, I tried to predict what would happen in the upcoming season. I had a lot of predictions right and just like everyone else in the world, picked a team other than the Red Sox to win the World Series. Wel, this year I'm not making that mistake.

Before I get into the predictions for this season, I want to share why I'm slightly qualified to make these predictions. I'm going to lose a lot of respect for saying this, but sometimes I think I like baseball more than football. Now for many, that statement might make you think that I'm a boring person who enjoys boring things. It's true, I am. But that makes me the perfect person to predict baseball crap.

Let's start our look at the 2005 season with the AL Central. Why not start with the NL Central? Because I'm a Twins fan and the Brewers, while getting better, still suck.

Just like in football, experience and defense wins. With that statement in mind, which team in the AL Central looks like it has the most experience and defense? Here's a hint. It's not the Royals.



As the winner of the last three division titles, the Twins lost solid gloves to free agency, but brought up solid replacements from their seemingly bottomless farm system. Last year, the Twins lead the majors in many pitching categories, and this year should be more of the same, with nine of their eleven pitchers back from last year. The only team with better pitching in the AL is, you guessed it, the Yankees. With the addition of Randy Johnson and Carl Pavano the Evil Empire boasts a starting rotation of aces, but more on that in a minute.

This season, the White Sox switched gears from "We can hit more homers than you" to "We're going to steal third and there's nothing you can do about it."

In plain English that means that the Sox are switching from the long ball to speed and defense. Sound familiar?

Last season's third place finishers, the Cleveland Indians, could easily run away with the division, but they won't. They don't have the experience, their ace pitcher is overweight, and they think Juan Gonzales is going to be healthy enough to play a whole season in right field. Chimps might throw their own crap, but even they know Juan Gone is washed up.

Making a move up the totem pole of bad teams, the Detroit Tigers signed Magglio Ordonez, and are building around a core of solid young players. Once again, experience will hold this team back.

Finally, that brings us to the Royals, my favorite bad team. This year the Royals, in their infinite wisdom, sent their All-Star designated hitter Ken Harvey down to Triple-A ball and replaced him with a journeyman hitter. This is a great move for a team that must be aiming for a contraction bid.

Moving on to the NL Central and the Brewers, I find myself wondering how long it will be before the Brewers are contenders. The Astros shot themselves in the foot by not resigning Carlos Beltran, because they have a team that is on the edge of joining the AARP. Sure, they got Roger Clemens for another year, but we all saw how well that worked last season.

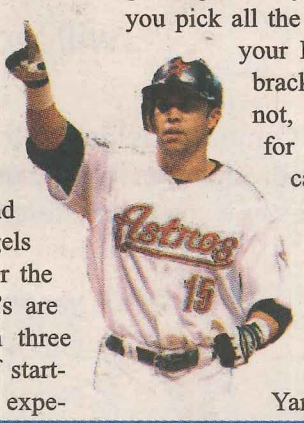
The Pittsburg Pirates are getting better, but not as quickly as the Brewers, thanks to general manager Doug Melvin. Whether it's a trade, or an obscure draft pick, he knows what he's doing.

The Cubs are the sexy pick this season to go all the way, but that's just leftover emotion from the Red Sox finally getting a World Series title. Too many things have happened for them to be the team that wins it all. They lost over 70 home runs from the departure of Sammy Sosa and Moises Alou, and the health of their starting pitching has been looking bad. Not good signs for a team that wants to win the World Series.

Things in St. Louis are looking up. The additions that were made to the World Series losers were impressive, but not impressive enough to win it all. Lastly, the Cincinnati Reds, they stink.

Switching back to the American League, let's take a brief look at the remaining divisions. In the AL East, the Yankees and the Red Sox will be fighting it out for the division while the Orioles and Blue Jays battle for third and the Devil Rays play Triple-A baseball in the majors.

In the AL West, things are a little uncertain. Starting with what we do know: the Mariners and the Rangers won't be factors in the hunt for the division title, because they don't have the experience or the pitching. That leaves the Oakland A's and Los Angles Angels of Anaheim to battle for the crown, but wait, the A's are pinning their hopes on three kids in their rotation of starters. Hence, they have no experience, and the Angels win, even though they can't decide what city they are from.



Moving back into the National League and wrapping up these previews, we find the NL East in the same state it's always in. Having won the NL East 13 years in a row I'll pick the Braves as division winners because of defense and experience. Everyone else in the division: Marlins, Mets, Phillies and the Washington Nationals get squat.

On second thought, I take that back. This is a tough division, but that only means there are good teams in this division. My pick for the NL Wild Card comes from this division. I'm going to say the Marlins, but the Mets stand a chance to win it also.

To finish it all off, we have the NL West. That's right, the division you don't really care about. Barry Bonds is out for the forseeable future, which means the Giants come back to Earth and everyone else in the division beats the crap out them. Winning the NL West will be the San Diego Padres, because I usually pick the Dodgers and I usually get burnt. So, I pick the Padres who have no experience and a mid-level defense. Yes, that goes against my system, but do you pick all the No. 1 seeds on your March Madness bracket? Of course not, you're looking for an upset, because there is always an upset. Anyway, that's the picks. Enjoy the season and try not to root for the Yankees. Ever.

AL Division Winners

AL Central	AL East	AL West
Twins	Yankees	Angels
Indians	RedSox	A's
White Sox	Orioles	Rangers
Tigers	Blue Jays	Mariners
Royals	Devil Rays	

Playoffs

Twins over Yankees
Angels over Red Sox
Twins over Angels

World Series
Twins over Cardinals in seven games

Cardinals over Marlins
Braves over Padres
Cardinals over Padres

NL Division Winners

NL Central	NL East	NL West
Cardinals	Braves	Padres
Cubs	Marlins	Dodgers
Astros	Mets	Giants
Brewers	Phillies	Diamondbacks
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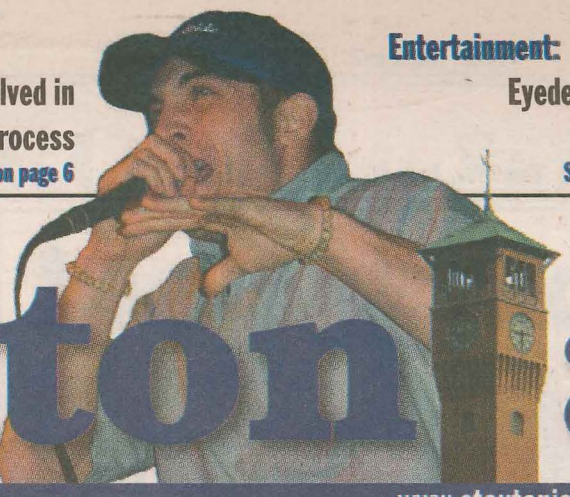

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ROTC at Stout

Army's officer training proposed

By Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

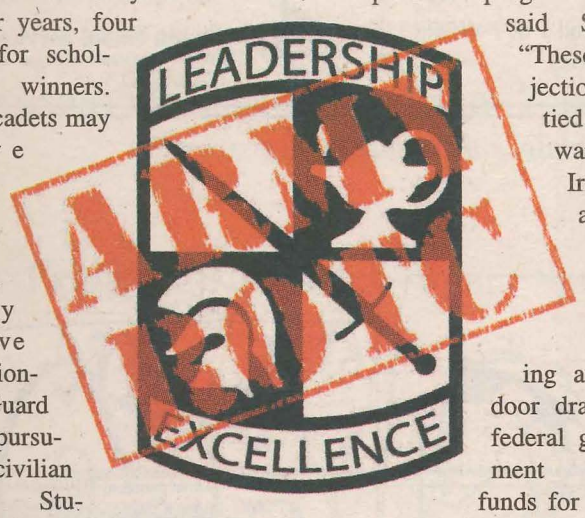
Last Tuesday, the Faculty and Academic Staff Senates voted on an Army ROTC program for UW-Stout. This vote followed a resolution passed by the SSA supporting a ROTC program here. If the program is approved by Chancellor Sorenson, it should be operational by fall 2005.

ROTC means Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

"The Army ROTC program is one of the best leadership courses in the country and is part of college curriculum," according to the Army ROTC Web site.

"Upon graduation from ROTC, you will earn the bar of a second lieutenant and become a leader for life."

After graduating from college and the ROTC program, students must agree to complete a period of service with the army. Students who receive a scholarship and those who enter the Advanced ROTC course must serve full-time in the army for three or four years, four years for scholarship winners. Some cadets may serve part-time in the U.S. Army Reserve or National Guard while pursuing a civilian career. Students who don't receive scholarships or enter the Advanced ROTC course have no obligation with the army after graduation.



Currently UW-Stout students may enroll in the ROTC program but must commute to UW-La Crosse or St. Thomas in St. Paul to finish ROTC coursework.

"We have had students who have actually commuted between Menomonie and La Crosse or St. Paul to complete the [ROTC] program," said Cynthia Gilberts, executive director of enrollment services.

Students participating in the ROTC program can get scholarships to help pay for their education. These scholarships are based on merit and extracurricular activities rather than financial need; this is a great opportunity for students who can't afford to pay for their education to get it fully financed.

"We in the Admissions office are hopeful that UW-Stout decides to participate in the ROTC program. We feel the ROTC program will offer many students outstanding opportunities for leadership experiences, additional career choices and financial opportunities," said Gilberts.

Robert Sedlak, Provost and Vice Chancellor, said that there are many people in favor of the ROTC program coming to UW-Stout. They talk about the financial benefits and how ROTC has changed their lives.

Although there is a lot of support for a ROTC program, there have also been several concerns about the program.

"I have received e-mails voicing concerns about a proposed program here," said Sedlak. "These objections are tied to the war in Iraq; the appearance of supporting a backdoor draft; the federal government having funds for ROTC but not student aid; [and] the target audiences being less economically privileged."

If the ROTC program is passed there would be a four-year trial to see how well the program works at UW-Stout. It would be housed in the College of Technology, Engineering and Management. Added courses would follow the standard university approval process.

The courses that students would take to complete the ROTC program are divided into

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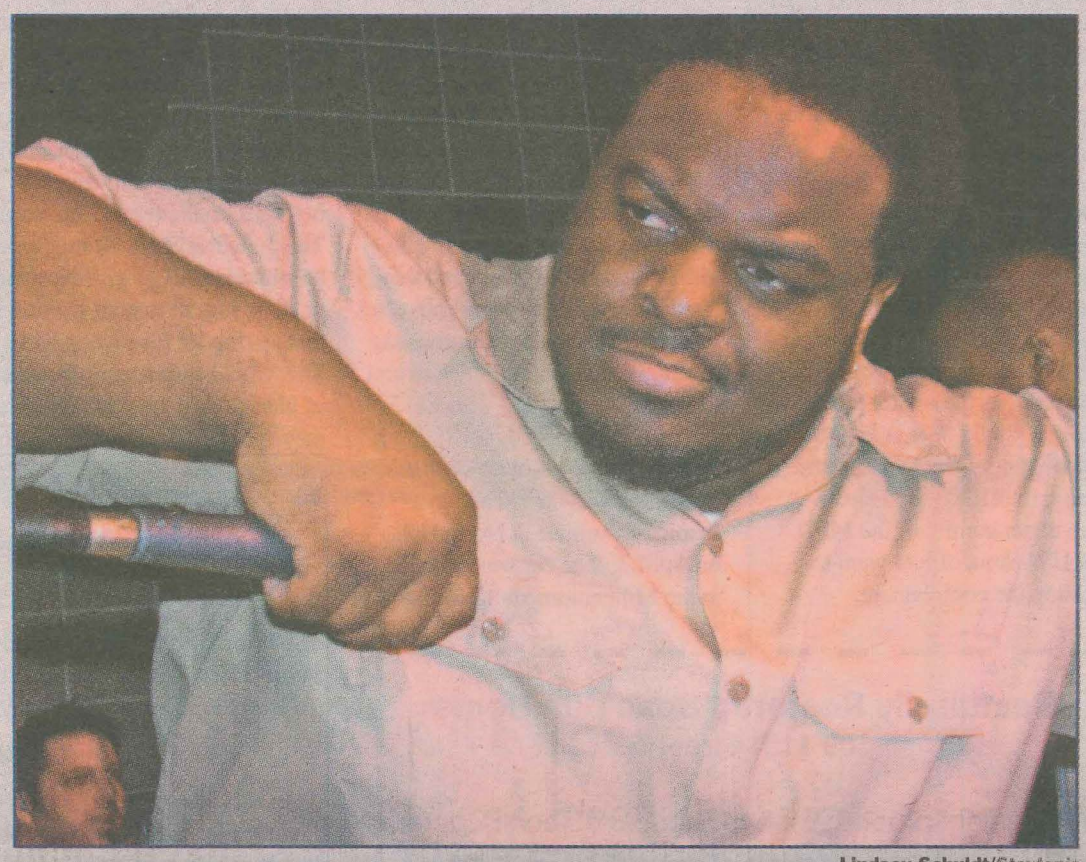
Rap-Attack Takes Over UW-Stout



Lindsey Schuldt/Stoutonia

Carnage, one of Eyedea's stage counterparts, exploded with lyrics on stage as the Rhymesayers rappers free-styled together at the end of their performance. Review of the concert can be seen on page 9.

Schuler has 12th book published

Latest compilation of poetry released by Juniper Press

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

Real work, as nationally known poet Gary Snyder refers to it, is writing poetry, primarily with meditation on nature and love. Robert Schuler, professor in the department of English and Philosophy, and author of a comprehensive book on Snyder's poetry, as well as numerous compilations of poetry has published his 12th book of poetry, titled "dance into heaven."

Released by the Juniper Press (2005), this work contains Schuler's imagery of a world decentralized from the human and giving equal importance to every single being.

Compiled and submitted for publication while on sabbatical this past semester, the book was written over a much broader time period.

"In this culture, we teach how to write with rules," said Schuler, making reference to the idea that his writing is much the opposite; it is an experiment with imagery and artistry.

POEM FOR NUSRAT FATEH ALI KHAN

goldfinches perch on the marsh
marigolds
a carpet of pink spring beauties
spreads over the leaves
thousands of trillium bounce to the wind
cardinals sail through freshly greened willows and ferns
a hawk climbs blue sky
just moments ago I was listening to the God-bound
love songs of the Sufi master
Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan
and I remembered
the line of the Moroccan band Nass El Riwan
'what else can you do but sing?'
I want to do nothing now
but dance into heaven

Writing for artistic expression and simply for the sake of writing is how Schuler brings his images to life on the page. Rather than spend massive amounts of time concentrating on writing, Schuler spends his time experiencing what he writes about and brings his images to words after careful thought.

"My sabbatical was to put together the poems that were already written," said Schuler, mentioning that he combed

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Police Beat

By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Underage Drinking 1st Offense: 10
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Need thicker windows
On March 25, MPD reported to 8th Avenue to report damage to a car. The driver's window was smashed. Two suspects were sighted and a request for back up was made, as the officer felt the suspects would flee. A UW-Stout police officer went to assist and upon arrival the two suspects were under control of the MPD. The UW-Stout officer went to question the complainant.

I don't know how this happens
On April 3, an officer responded to a call in lot 29. A student reported that when he tried to leave the parking lot, he realized that the tie rod of his car was broken (the tie rod is a link that connects the steering wheel to the wheel; without it the car cannot be controlled.). The complainant believed it was vandalized by his girlfriend's ex-boyfriend and that the damage took place in Eau Claire. The student was advised to call the Eau Claire Police to file a report.

Storm voyeur?
An officer was dispatched to a suspicious vehicle at North Hall on April 3. The car was parked in the Millennium Hall parking lot. It had a camera in it, pointed at North Hall and appeared to be recording. Contact was made with the owner of the vehicle, and he said the camera was for storm chasing. He had just left the equipment in the car. He showed the officer the tape, and it was not of North Hall. The student was advised not to leave the camera in the car for theft reasons.

More weird people around
On April 6, police reported to a call about a suspicious vehicle parked in Lot 39. The vehicle was parked there for two hours and was occupied by a male driver. He stated that he was waiting for his girlfriend to get out of class. The vehicle belonged to the female student. The police advised, "It might not be a bad idea to go to a restaurant or shopping, instead of waiting in the parking lot for several hours. This would save money instead of placing it in the parking meters."

News for the COLLEGE attention span

Stephen Johnston, national director of KPMG Golf Practive, will speak at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 25 in room 131 of UW-Stout's Home Economics building. KPMG is a management consulting firm which lists more than 1,400 golf courses around the world as clients.

A lost Beluga whale swam up the Delaware river and was sighted 80 miles from the ocean in New Jersey. He was turned around and is now heading back out to sea.

A woman was arrested in Okeechobee, Fla. for allegedly forcing her 12-year-old daughter into prostitution and then attempting to trade her 14-year-old daughter for a car.

The national Day of Silence, a protest against the anti-gay bias in schools, was so successful that it prompted conservative groups to counter with a national Day of Truth for students who believe homosexuality is sinful.

The majority of Wisconsin residents support a plan that would legalize the hunting of feral cats. Doyle says it won't happen.

UW-Whitewater student Jonny Lechner appeared on Letterman recently, as he is known for his 11 year stint as an undergraduate. He says he is just having too much fun.

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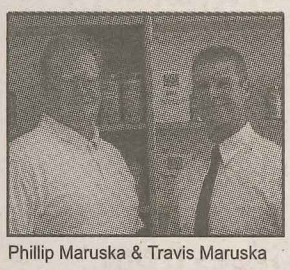

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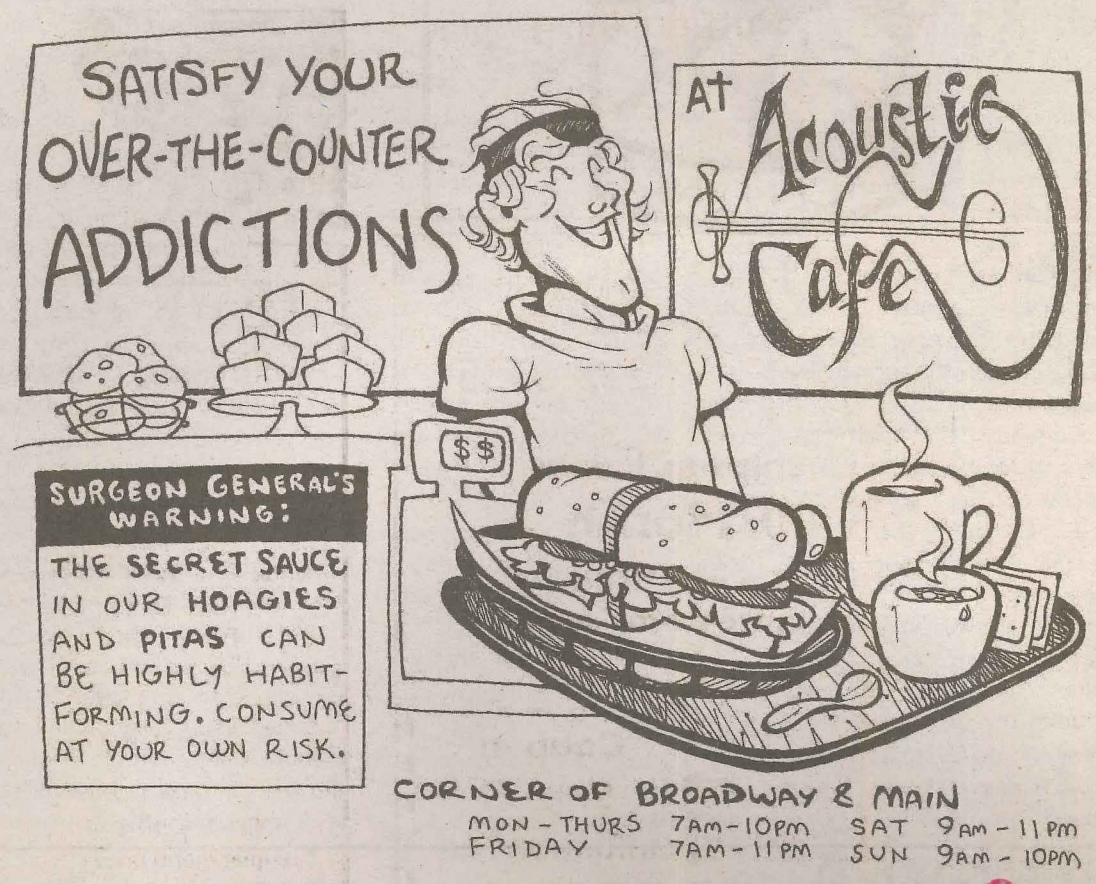

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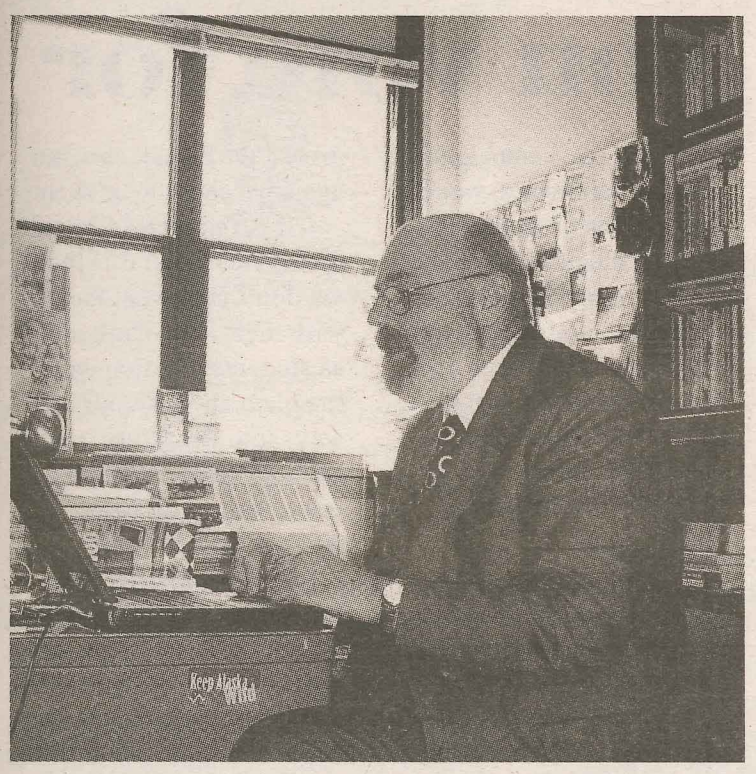

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During sabbatical last semester, Robert Schuler compiled six books of his poetry, two of which are published.

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through 10 to 12 years of work to find his best, compiled and submitted it to a publisher.

"Songs of Love," Schuler's 13th poetry compilation accepted for publication will be released in August and was also compiled while on sabbatical.

In addition to writing and submitting for publication, Schuler also intensely studied over 150 films to improve his Fiction into Film course.

"You can get so much more delight when you know what went into the film," said Schuler.

During his sabbatical, he completed six collections of poetry, and is constantly at work creating new material as it comes to him.

"I kinda like to think that you don't die when you get into your sixties," said Schuler

ROTC / *at Stout*

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phases. The ROTC courses complement regular college courses and fit into normal class schedules.

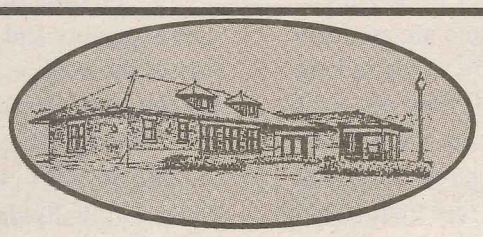
The Army ROTC Basic Course is in the first two years of college. These classes include army history, organization and structure. The Advanced Course takes up the junior and senior year. These courses include tactical operations and military instruction. Both courses teach leadership, management and command techniques.

There is also a Leader Development and Assessment course which students attend between their junior and senior years of college. This course is conducted at Fort Lewis in Washington. It is a four week summer course to evaluate and train all Army ROTC cadets.

During the final year of the ROTC program, students select six branches of the army to determine their specialty. Students choose the branches from three categories: combat arms, combat support and combat service support. When students receive their branch selections, they start preparing for their careers in the army.

In Wisconsin, there are several schools that already have a ROTC program. These include: UW-Oshkosh, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Madison, Marquette University and UW-La Crosse.

"[Students] learn firsthand what it means to lead and manage, keen analytical skills, use of short and long range planning techniques and excellent interpersonal management skills are all a part of the ROTC experience," according to the UW-La Crosse Web site.



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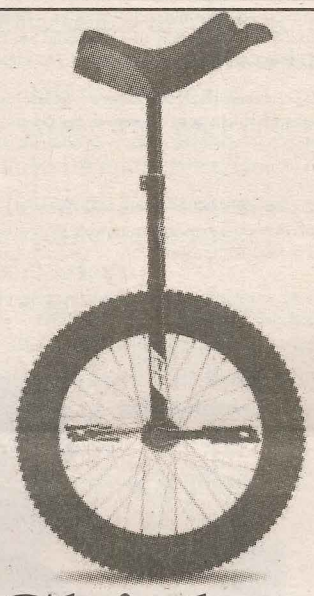

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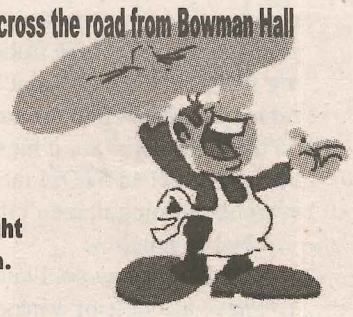

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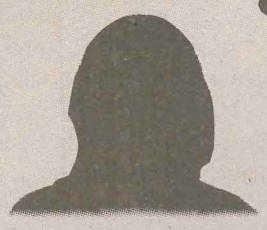


Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Do you know who gets to spend one-fourth of the money you pay for tuition at the University of Wisconsin-Stout? The Student Senate Association (SSA) does.

Here's a trickier question, do you know who SSA is and what they do?

The majority of our campus cannot answer this question, yet we are the ones that elect them to office, and we are the ones who gain the benefits and sometimes the disadvantages of the decisions they make.

SSA held their executive board elections this past Tuesday, yet anyone who was not directly involved in senate meetings would not know the names of all the candidates running.

It could be a lack of advertising on their part and reporting on the Stoutonia's part, but ultimately, it is our job as students to care about the decisions our government makes for us. When it came time for the national elections, everyone was gung ho about going out and letting their voices be heard.

President Bush can make decisions today about his theories on education and tuition, yet any decision he or congress makes will most likely not affect our lives because by the time they complete the legal process, we will have graduated.

Now compare that to the idea that the decisions SSA makes on our campus this year will directly affect our lives next year. So, where was Rock the Vote for SSA?

Where were the crowds of people at the debates, waiting to see what their next president had to say? Had Kerry and Bush been able to debate on campus, we're guessing more likely than not, there would have been people waiting for days outside the Great Hall to watch.

Even we, as a paper, didn't do our job as the media representatives of the campus to display the elections at hand. Yet had we hosted the debates, had we put all of our efforts and resources into campaigning with the candidates, would you have come to listen?

The theme seems to be that we, as students, respect people we don't know, who may never impact our lives and the issues we're fighting for now, more than we respect the people who have the ability to change our futures today.

SSA's main job is to protect the rights of the students, to inform us of the things that are happening. A great example is the mass e-mail they send out daily. It is the fastest and easiest way to find out everything that is going on at our campus. Yet thousands of us delete the messages and are annoyed that they are trying to help.

What if they put a different title on the e-mail? Would it change how you felt if you had mail in your box ith a title: "Presidents to Debate at Stout," instead of "SSA Daily E-mail"?

Chalking it up to laziness and personal prerogatives, our actions speak louder than our words; so much louder that our voice have become completely silent.

Yell and scream all you want about how badly *The Stoutonia* does its job, or how badly SSA is representing our campus, but no one will hear you.

They may have heard us had we been in Madison when SSA went there to protest the budget cuts, but again we chose to be silent.

It isn't that SSA is not doing their jobs; it is that we don't care what they do with their jobs. Until we as students can step up to the plate and lead our own ways into the future, we cannot complain that the future for our children doesn't look so bright.

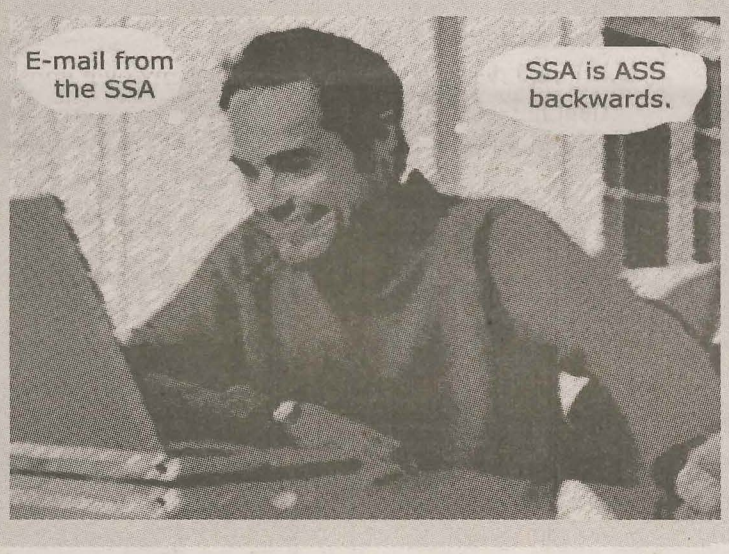
SSA has already collected over 500 signatures in response to Doyle's plan to cut our dining services. Did you know you could be eating prison food instead of the variety of food now supplied to us on campus?

If not, then sign yourself up for slop because without your signature and recognition of the petition, Doyle has the power to take even more of our freedoms away.

Maybe SSA hasn't made a huge impact on our lives, but all they can do is put out the information. What happens to it after that is up to us.

They are making the effort to support our students, and our campus and to make our lives better now and in the near future.

If you vote no for a better future, then congratulations. With the help of you and everyone else who hasn't taken the time to appreciate the things our senate does for us, then what you voted for is what you'll get.



If you are looking for an STD, then you probably will succeed

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has more students with STDs than any other school in Menomonie, WI

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Ever woken up in the morning and thought, "I can't wait to catch a great sexually transmitted disease (STD) today?" If you're raising your hand, first, put it down. Second, I'm sorry.

When I got to college three years ago, I was told that one in three students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout contracted an STD in their time on this campus, which is scary when you think of all the people you meet at the bars or house parties on any given night.

So, we're a campus that enjoys a lot of sex and spreading the happiness, no pun intended. We like to share, you could say.

We live in a world where commercials advertise that people with STDs love frolicking freely on the beach and riding their bikes into the sunset on the mountains. So, it must be okay to get an STD; I mean, everyone's doing it, aren't they?

Not so much.

It's hard to say no, I know. You have a couple of drinks and suddenly you start dancing. Then you start grabbing random people's booty's (which, by the way guys, is the worst pick up line you could ever use), and then the opposite sex starts paying for your drinks and everything seems so perfect.

I've always wanted to tell my kids I met their dad in a bar. I'll tell them that his selling point was when he threw up on my shoes, made me clean it up and then peed on himself before passing out on top of me. Right.

My brother once gave me some of the most valuable advice ever about drinking and meeting new people. If you really like a person, get their number, and when you wake up the next morning, if you still want to call them, then it may be worth it. Chances are you won't even still have the phone number.

According to a survey by the federal government in 2003, 47 percent of high school students have had sex, and 37 percent of those students didn't use protection during their last sexual encounter. This is probably why one-fourth of those with STDs are teenagers.

More power to you if you like to wake up in the morning and have to slide out of a bed you've never been in before, with a person you don't remember meeting, only to crawl out of the bedroom in the hopes that they won't wake up so you don't have to talk to them before you leave.

Not to mention the repercussions of leaving a place alone with someone you've never met. Trust me, just because he's cute doesn't mean he's not capable of hurting you. Putting yourself into negative situations such as random hookups only breeds negative actions.

And for girls, the risks are even worse. Do you think he'll care for you nine months later and then forever if an "oops" were to occur? That's one experiment I don't want to try to find the results.

We are the decisions we make, and everything you do will ultimately lead you down the path you're trying to create. If you want that path to be full of warts and burning sensations when you go to the bathroom or worse yet an ongoing fight to live because your immune system left with that random you never saw again, then I'm glad you really want to achieve something great with your life. Way to set high goals.

As for the rest of us, men, do the ladies a favor and keep it in your pants until you're sober enough to remember the person you're with when having sex.

You too, ladies, just because he can talk coherently enough to make you feel "special," and he continues to buy you drinks that only make you feel even more "special," doesn't mean that the "special" present he gives to you is going to be something you want to carry with you for the rest of your life.

Idiot Nation

Americans just don't care

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

What is the biggest story in America right now? It probably should be the Pope's death (even though only a certain chunk of America cares about that situation), but in these rare times not everyone cares about the small stuff.

So, what could possibly be a bigger story right now? It's a actually a pair of stories, so big that it's on talk radio, sports radio and the Fox News Channel all at the same time. Enough with the tension, the biggest story in America right now is Barbie doll blondes.

Didn't see that one coming, did you?

What if we reword that last part to read: the biggest stories in America right now are Britney Spears' pregnancy and Pam Anderson's return to television!

OMG!

For those of you who don't get that abbreviation, be glad.

Normally this is the part of the editorial where I would bring up how disgusted I am with the American public; however, as you may be able to tell, this is not your normal editorial.

Instead, we are just going to roll with it. That's the American spirit, isn't it? Just deal and move on.

"What's that CIA? There weren't any weapons of mass destruction in Iraq? Oh well, you tried."

So, in keeping with the "roll with it" spirit, here is multiple-choice quiz on the news the media seems to think you, the general public, want to hear about:

1. Britney is going to have a baby, and you aren't surprised because:
a. she was wearing a T-shirt that said something about becoming a MILF. Whatever that is.
b. Kevin Federline seems like such a good choice for a father because he already has two other kids.
c. she had to start somewhere before she could innocently say, "Oops, I did it again."

2. Pam Anderson is coming back to television in a show called "Stacked," and you're excited because:
a. just like Britney, it's good to see a working mom.
b. while attractive, Pam Anderson has always impressed you with her ability to act.
c. you taped every episode of "Baywatch" and "V.I.P." and aren't afraid to admit it.

3. The Pope passed away, and you are:
a. fairly certain you know which religion that guy was.
b. sad because you laughed while watching the Pope episode of "Family Guy."
c. sad because a great man passed away.

If you answered C for all of them, you are probably being truthful.

Stupid Metabolism

Author has trouble telling his body to take it easy

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Curse my rapid metabolism! I mean, really, how many times do I have to eat in a day? Those who know me know that I'm built more like a wire-haired terrier than a human: I can really put it away, food wise that is. So, why is that such a big deal? I guess I had better explain myself. My talents aren't just good for clearing out the fridge when my mom needs to get rid of food at my house in the summer. This gift of mine to be able to eat all the time can also cause me some grief every now and again.

> ***"If someone with some pizza had walked by at that particular time, I would have just gone feral on that person, freaked out and taken the pizza."***

You see, I had such a food craving on Saturday evening that I had to eat, and to eat what I was craving, I needed to get some cash. Now, I'm pretty poor. All of my money gets poured into the bottomless pit of Penco whenever I sign up for a new studio art class, but the day before this past Saturday happened to be payday. And of course, the money was burning a hole in my pocket.

So, back to the story: I was walking back from Wigen Hall, a place I frequent due to the amount of friends I have there, even though I live in North Hall. As I was approaching the Mabel Tainter theatre, I began to crave pizza. Oh, did I want that pizza. If someone with some pizza had walked by at that particular time, I would have just gone feral on that person, freaked out and taken their pizza. It would be like ultimate fighting. Two men enter, one man leaves…

…with pizza. Luckily for the good citizens of Menomonie, this didn't happen. So I stopped off at a nearby ATM to get some cash. I used my StoutOne card, because that's where my paychecks go. Now this part is key, because I didn't know that this was one of those older ATMs that require you to push a button to get your card back out. I, being in a hurry to get some hot pizza, didn't check to see if I had my ID with me or not until I was almost back to my dorm. When I looked in my wallet to use my card to unlock the door to North Hall, I realized what I had done.

I ran, and I don't do that much, but I ran back to the ATM, but alas, my card was gone. I asked around the area, and even made a careful search of the grounds but to no avail. The worst part of this was that in order to get my replacement card, I had to go to the card office. But the next day was Sunday. The office didn't open until Monday. So, because I wanted pizza so badly and couldn't be patient enough to get my card out of the machine, I couldn't really eat on Sunday; and you know how I feel about eating.

Thankfully, the process to get a new card was remarkably easy. The person working the desk was even nice. I had to pay $20 to get a new card, but in the end I think I deserved it. After all, it was my own impatient hunger that caused me to lose the card. That's the last time I let my stomach call the shots, well, until 2 times Tuesday at Dominoes, I guess.

Summer is the pursuit of happiness

If ever there were a time to forget responsibility and just be happy, that time is summer

Steve Tietz
Columnist

The urge has become apparent; it started as a whisper and has grown into a madman's wail. It's like winning a confrontation with someone perceived as superior; it is basking in the glow after months of darkness. It captivates and sets fire to the hearts of millions with endless possibilities and the scent of freedom. It reeks of change and chaos within the aftermath of destruction, seclusion and peril. It is the light in the dark, the heat in the cold; it's three months of absolute beauty and grace.

It is summer.

Summer is on the horizon, and the end of a long winter has come. There is only one problem with this: finals week stands in our path to righteousness. I may or may not be alone in stating that I absolutely detest finals week. It is not that finals week is anymore difficult than the last test or the last major paper or project, but it is simply a nuisance.

Finals week is set far apart from everything else. We are given a week to study and prepare for the inevitable. Normally this would be time well spent, but it happens to fall during the glorious month of May, when the weather is beginning its ascent to the peak of heat and brilliance. When the time does come to study, prepare and critique, one can easily find silence to be overly abundant. The rule of silence in the dorms is yet another reason why I hate finals week. There is no silence during the periodic test days we all have throughout the semester; there is no silence when midterms come, and there is no silence when we beg of it. Yet they impose it upon us for two glorious weeks.

Nevertheless, summer is coming. I am ready to grab it by the horns and take it for all it has. I'm looking forward to the nights of chaotic bliss, weekend vacations and freedom from the confines of responsibility, save for the eventual responsibility of working at some pointless, mind-numbing job. Summer employment is, however, absolute in two things: (1) it is absolutely unfulfilling and (2) it is an absolute showcase of why we go to college. The only upside to summer employment is the compensation we receive and subsequently blow in the pursuit of the unforgettable summer.

With the projection for rain and some slightly colder weather headed our way, my talks of summer may be a bit early; but to be honest, I just can't help it. Summer seems to provide me with a new start, a renewed being and direction, regardless of how many traffic jams I have to sit in, or endless lines at a theme park, or how many hours I have to work in a week before the weekend.

Some students will spend their summers working, others will spend it volunteering and yet others will undoubtedly spend it anchored to a couch. Whatever your summer becomes and regardless of what intentions you have for your summer, I can only hope that it is everything it is hoped to be and everything it should be.

Students involved in hiring process

By Grace Sanfilippo
Student Life Writer

As you mindlessly drift off in class, do you ever wonder how some teachers even got employed? A recent implementation in the art department has allowed students to be part of the hiring process. This approach is proving to be beneficial to students, staff and candidates.

"I thought that being a part of the interviewing process was a good experience because it gives the students a chance to get a feel for who will be teaching them, as well as a background of the instructor and a chance to see their work and how it can benefit us as students," said Brian Bins, a junior in graphic design.

"It also gave a chance to ask questions and get a feel for how they teach and deal with large groups, which can say a lot about the instructor and their personality, especially in a creative environment," said Bins.

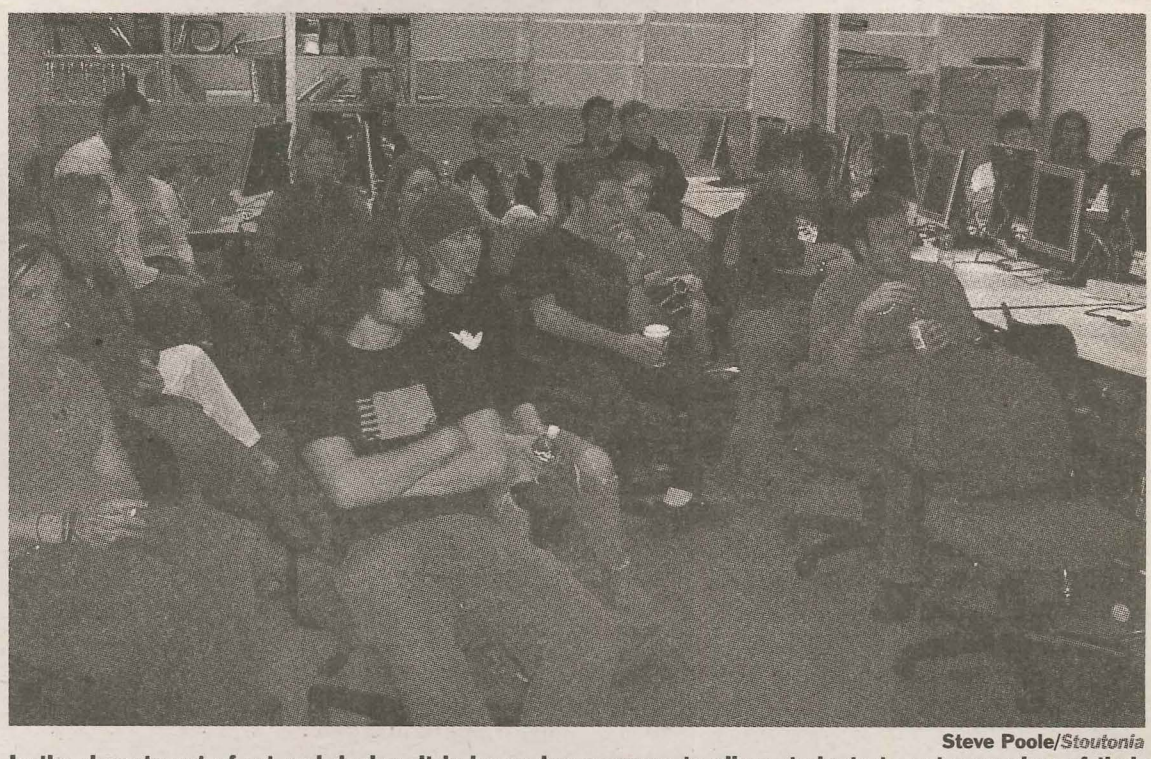
The process begins with the search committee chair checking to ensure applicants meet the minimum requirements for the position. Then, the committee, usually consisting of four to five professors, reviews the candidate's portfolio. In order to eliminate any bias, the candidates are referred to by numbers. Once the strongest work has been identified, the committee views the credentials of those candidates and the remaining candidates are eliminated.

For the 2005-2006 school year, the art department has six openings. Sometimes up to 100 applicants must be screened, viewed, discussed and evaluated. This process is repeated for each round of applicants. Reference checks, phone interviews and on-campus interviews follow.

The successful applicant is allowed to present some background about themselves, their education and their work to students in a classroom setting.

This opportunity allows professors and students to interact with the applicant and gives students a better understanding of the interview process. They then can offer a different perspective. In turn, applicants can experience the campus.

This past week, a graphic design assistant professor applicant interviewed. She gave a presentation on her background and showed her work to students and professors, and students were able to ask questions.



Steve Poole/*Stoutonia*

In the department of art and design, it is becoming common to allow students to get a preview of their potential future professors. Students are invited to attend the presentations each candidate gives.

"I was impressed, as the majority of her work showed a general care for the political and social facets of design, said David Kargol, a senior in graphic design. "It's something missing at Stout."

The hiring committee feels very fortunate with the quality of applicants, and they are pleased with the response they are getting from students.

"It's well worth the time and effort if we can bring really great people into the department," said Bill Defhoff, an assistant professor in the art and design department. "It promises to be a very good year for us."

Basic grilling techniques and delicious recipes to get started

First-time grillers can find the process to be difficult, but with these guidelines they won't end up getting burned

Katie Bader
Columnist

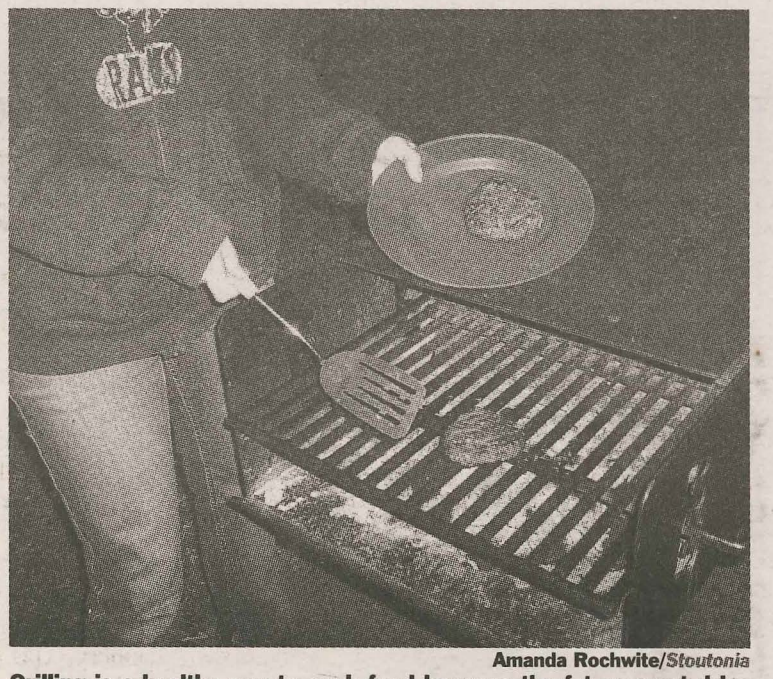
Grilling is not just to cook dinner for yourself; it is a way to have a party. It is also a way to create a masterpiece, and if you've never grilled before, it can be an adventure. Most agree that food cooked outdoors is more flavorful than when it is cooked in the oven.

"I love the smell, the atmosphere and the taste, of course, of barbecuing. There are so many awesome and healthy foods to grill, and grilling is actually very healthy because the fat on the foods tend to drip off," said Aaron Fonder, a senior in dietetics and griller extraordinaire.

Grilling is not like basic cooking. In the beginning, it is a little more complicated, but once you have done it a couple of times, you will discover it is easier than it looks.

There are two different types of grills. One is the charcoal grill, which is found in parks or other public places, and gas grills, which are more often found at homes.

To use a charcoal grill, cover the bottom part of the grill with charcoal briquettes in the shape of a pyramid. Cover the charcoal with lighter fluid, and light the charcoal. Flames will be present at first, but let them burn until the charcoal is coated in a gray ash and gives off a light glow. This is when the charcoal is ready, and the process takes about 20 minutes.



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

Grilling is a healthy way to cook food because the fat on meat drips off. Burgers, Asian food and kabobs are all common foods to grill.

To use a gas grill, first open the grill lid and open the tank valve. Turn the front burner to high and wait a few seconds for the gas chamber to fill. Then, push the igniter button firmly and the burner should light. Once the first burner is lit, turn the next burner to high and repeat the same steps. Repeat this process until all the burners are lit, then close the lid and wait for the grill to reach about 500 degrees.

There are two methods for cooking on a grill; the direct and indirect methods. The direct method is used for faster cooking directly over the coals. Whole meats, such as roasts, turkeys or hams use the indirect method.

One of the most popular foods to grill are hamburgers. They are easy to cook, and if you have never grilled, it is a good meat with which to start. Here is the recipe for hamburgers.

Basic Grilled Burgers

1 lb ground chuck
4 hamburger buns
Salt and pepper

1. Gently shape the ground chuck into burgers of equal size and thickness. Season with salt and pepper.

2. Grill the burgers until the internal temperature reaches 160 degrees, about 8-10 minutes, turning over once.

3. During the last 30 seconds of cooking, place the buns on the grill until they are lightly toasted.

**If you would like to add cheese, place the slices on top of the burger in the last minute of cooking, and remove the burger once the cheese slightly melts.*

"To seal in the juices in the burger, place the burger right near the flames for a few minutes until the outside is slightly darker, then place further above the flames once again until meat is cooked to just the way you want it," said Fonder.

Burgers are not the only food that can be grilled. Dinner masterpieces can be made by grilling. An excellent way to spice up basic steak or chicken is to marinate the meat, or to brush the food with marinades. Be careful, there are certain steps that should be taken.

"Be sure not to marinate the meat for more than just a few hours. And when brushing the meat, use a brush with natural hairs, because synthetic hairs will just melt. Also, remember not to poke foods when marinating them, this will cause the juices to drip out," said Amy Kriho, a senior in food systems and technology.

At the grocery store, you can buy pre-made which come in a variety of flavors such as Hawaiian, barbecue or honey. Follow the directions on the bottle for the correct amount of marinade to add to your meat.

Place the meat and marinade in a plastic, resealable bag, and let it sit in the refrigerator for 30 minutes to an hour.

Asian Grill

4 skinless, boneless chicken breasts, thawed
1/4 cup orange juice
1/4 cup teriyaki sauce
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
2 red bell peppers, cut into wedges
2 small zucchini, sliced diagonally

1. In a small bowl, combine the orange juice, teriyaki sauce and red pepper flakes to prepare the marinade.

2. Slice the chicken into two inch strips.

3. In a large, resealable, plastic bag, place the sliced chicken, sliced peppers and sliced zucchini and marinate in the refrigerator for about 30 minutes.

4. Preheat the grill to medium or hot and place the chicken on the grill for 15 to 20 minutes.

5. Grill the bell peppers and zucchini for five minutes or until crisp.

6. Serve over rice.

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Kabobs are another great grilling dish that are very versatile. All you need are skewers and bite-size pieces of food.

You can use fruit such as pineapple, cantaloupe, pears, maraschino cherries, oranges or lemons. You can also stick cherry tomatoes, sliced mushrooms, red or green pepper chunks, onions, zucchini slices and olives onto a skewer. Try a combination of vegetables, meats, poultry, seafood and fruit.

If you are grilling meat kabobs, they will cook faster if a small amount of space is left between the pieces of meat. Don't forget to turn the skewer for even cooking.

These are just a few of the countless grilling recipes. You can grill desserts, fruits, vegetables, pizzas, corn on the cob and much more. Be creative when grilling, and all your friends will be impressed.

Remember safety when grilling. Use gloves and long spatulas or tongs to flip the food. Always use a thermometer to be certain that the food is thoroughly cooked, so you don't get sick.

Also, be careful not to pierce the food. Some juice will drip out causing meats to become dry.

For more grilling ideas, check out grilling cookbooks or the Internet. For more information on basic cooking, enroll in a basic cooking class offered at UW-Stout at the end of April.

The importance of renter's insurance

By Amy Krause
Student Life Writer

Jay Fish/*Stoutonia*

Many landlords are now requiring their tenants to get renter's insurance in order to live in their facilities. Renter's insurance can cover things like temporary housing after disasters, liability and your belongings.

It's a beautiful spring day; the birds are chirping, the sun is shining and you can't wait to spend the afternoon outside. As you are racing out, you slam the screen door behind you and head out to enjoy the day.

What's wrong with this situation? Was there anything forgotten or missing? It seems like a lovely situation; nothing went wrong, everything seemed good, almost perfect. But something was missing; one small, tiny thing that could cause you some un-needed stress in your life. The door was left unlocked.

Let's say this situation then takes a different turn. You later realize, sitting around with your roommates, that your 36" flat screen television is missing along with your DVD player, stereo system and other gadgets.

Now what?

Believe it or not, this has happened. Yes, even in small town Menomonie, things have been stolen. However, there are options to help insure the safety of your belongings. This is where renter's insurance comes into the picture.

"The renter is never covered under the landlord. [Renters] must get their own insurance," said Jackie Hunt, State Farm Insurance Agent in Menomonie, who bashes the first myth about renters insurance.

She also mentioned how rare it is for a landlord's policy to extend to the tenant's property.

However, many still don't feel the need to get renter's insurance. Either they don't think about it or they feel it is too expensive for their college budget.

"There are two big myths about renter's insurance. One is that it's too expensive, and the other is that it's not needed," said Hunt.

Although getting renter's insurance is not required by law when renting a house or apartment, there are an increasing number of landlords requiring their tenants to get renter's insurance as a condition to rent, according to the National Landlord Tenant Guides.

The National Landlord Tenant Guides claim the facts are vital to know and understand before even considering purchasing renter's insurance. Some facts mentioned on their Web site include:

1. After a disaster, you may not be able to return to your apartment. Renter's insurance can pay for temporary housing or foot the bill for permanent relocation.

2. Basic renter's insurance also provides you with liability in case someone is hurt in your home and decides to sue.

3. Your landlord's policy does not cover any part of your belongings. It covers the structure alone.

Students who are renting apartments or houses have the opportunity to insure the safety of their belongings from weather elements, theft or fire. However, students who live in dormitories are not eligible to receive renter's insurance.

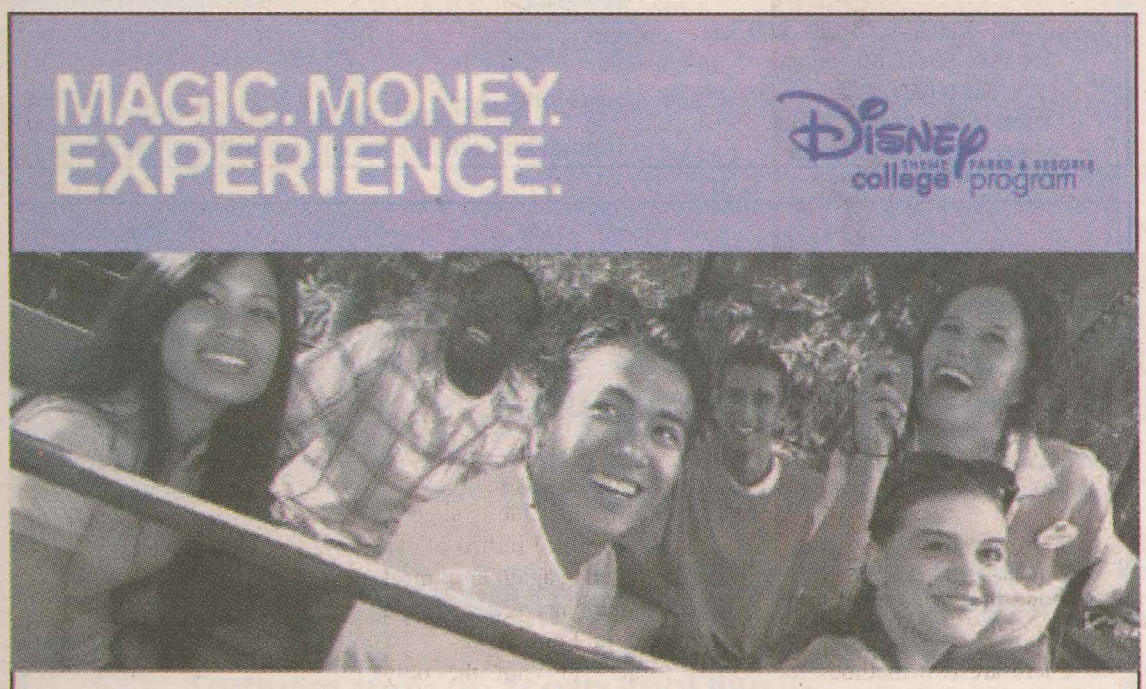
"When living in the dorms, there are like 75 people on one floor, which is too much liability," Hunt said.

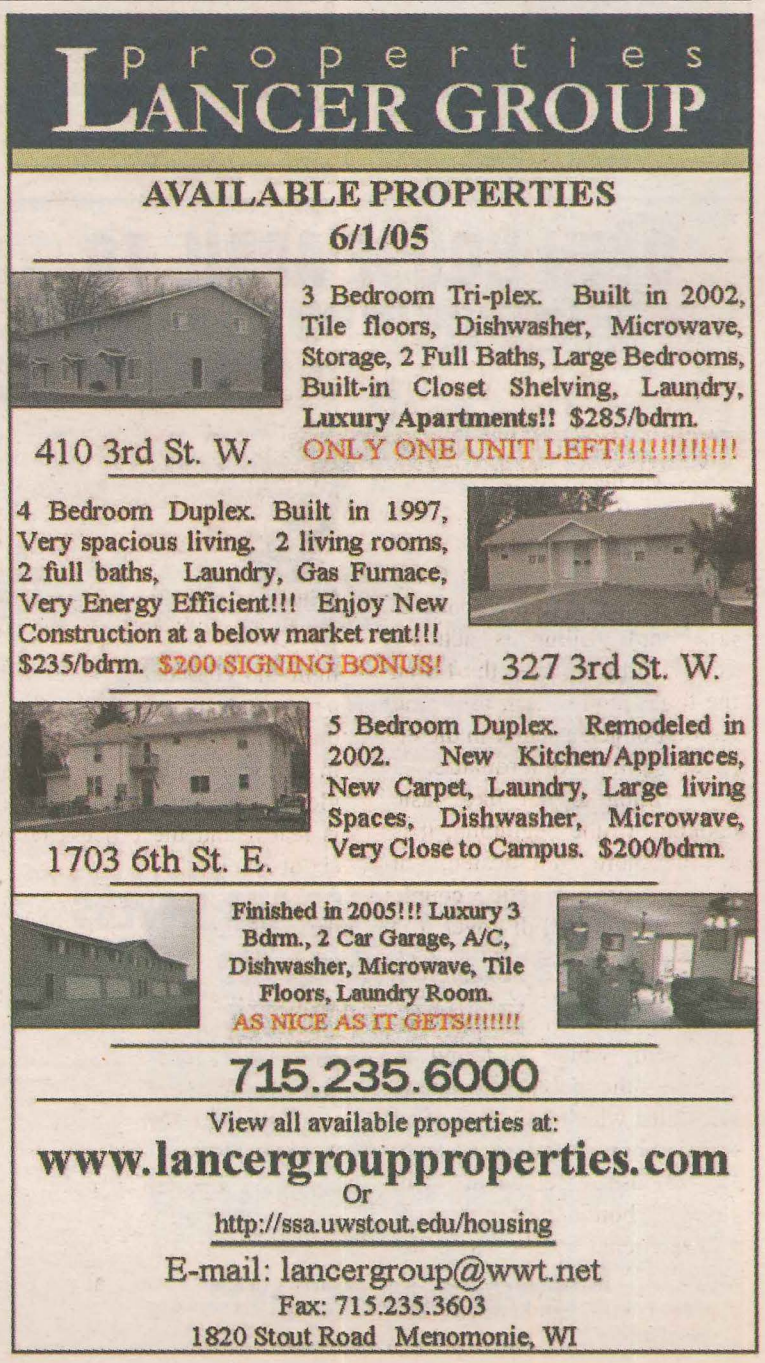
If this is the case for some students, then they may still be covered under their parent's insurance. If considered a dependant, which most students still attending college are, then they may be covered under their parents' insurance.

The downside to this is that some insurance agencies will not cover all losses, in case of damage, to students who are still under their parent's plan.

"Different companies vary, but some companies only supply 10 percent coverage to these individuals," Hunt said.

Next time you forget to lock the door to your apartment, remember you could lose a valuable portion of your belongings. When you move into your new rental, think about the renter's insurance opportunities available to you. Whether or not it's a smart choice is up to you.





Slant

What type of liquor should be available in vending machines?

"Jameson."

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Senior

"Smirnoff Twisters."

Brandi Machus
Apparel Design and Development
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"Vodka."

Joy VanDeLoo
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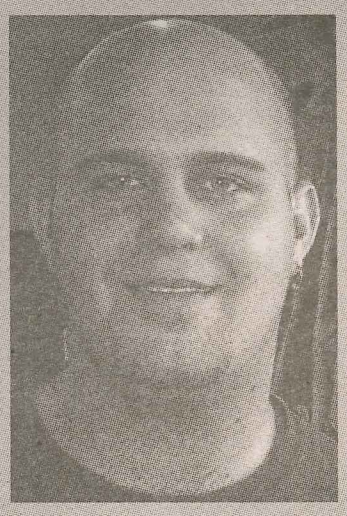

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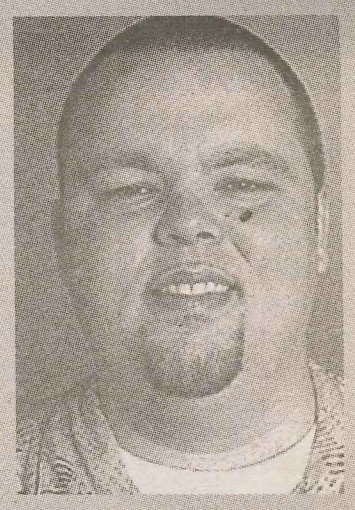

Scotty Savol
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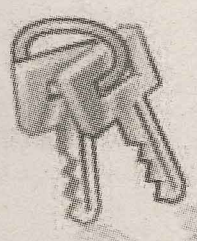
Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us see it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.



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April 14 to April 21

Thursday, April 14
>**Open Mic Night,** Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
>**Strength Competition,** Health and Fitness Center, 7-9 p.m., free for members, $5 non-members.
>**Spring Art Sale,** in front of Great Hall, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Friday, April 15
>**Music: Gretchen,** Blind Munchies Coffeehouse, 7 p.m., free.
>**Erik T. Johnson,** Lowbrow Illustration, AA 210, 6 p.m.
>**Super Size Me- Morgan Spurlock,** Great Hall, movie at 6:30 p.m., lecture at 8 p.m., $2 students.
>**Spring Art Sale,** in front of Great Hall, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 16
>**UW-Stout Concert Band and Jazz Band,** Great Hall, 11 a.m., $10 family, $5 individual.
>**The Buffali and Thomas Brun,** Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m.
>**Nuisance Crew-** Mr. Heavy's, 11 p.m., 21+.
>**Fashion Without Fabric,** Great Hall, 8 p.m., $3 students.
>**Spring Art Sale,** in front of Great Hall, 10 a.m.- 10 p.m.

Sunday, April 17
>**Auto Show and Swap Meet,** Dunn County Rec Park, 7 a.m.- 2:30 p.m., $2 spectators, $1 with nonperishable food item.

Monday, April 18
>**All you can eat spaghetti dinner,** Menomonie Senior Center, 5-7 p.m., $5 advance, $6 at the door, call 232-3124 for more info.

Tuesday, April 19
>**Innocence, In Essence,** gallery opening, 6-9 p.m.

Wednesday, April 20
>**Comedy: Spanky,** Huff's, 8 p.m., free.

Thursday, April 21
No events scheduled

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Expanding minds with rhymes

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Writer

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Fans crowded into Huff's early on to make sure they would have a close up view of the Rhymesayers rappers. The event, sponsored by IRHA and BSU was the hottest thing to hit UW-Stout since spring break.

"I'm sorry, we can't let you in because the room is at full capacity." If you went to the Eyedea and Brother Ali concert on Wednesday at Huff's, this was a line you may have heard.

"When my son plays video games he's always asking me how he can get to the next level," said Ali. "All I can do is tell him to practice. I can't tell him how to practice, just to do it."

"That's what I'm always trying to do, take it to the next level. If you want it badly enough, you'll get it."

The heat in the room was enough to make people in Florida faint, but faithful Wisconsin hip-hop fans withstood the humidity just to get a glance at Eyedea.

"God is my inspiration," said rapper Wills. "He creates and destroys, just like me. I create positivity and destroy negativity."

Instead of focussing on stereotypical rap that degrates women and idealizes material things, these Thymsayers rappers focussed on life and the roads we take.

"You can't ask a painter to say what motivated him to paint," said Eyedea. "He saw a thing, or had an idea and he wanted to create art with it. I create art."

Having performed in front of tens of thousands of people before, these rappers are phased by nothing.

"You have to learn to live it first," said Cardnidge about his rap carreer.

"If it's not a part of who you are and where you've been then you'll sound like [crap]. I needed some place to belong, and this is where I found myself."

Fans jumping and crying, sweat and tears pouring out of skin, in a word, the night was amazing.

"People take life too seriously," said Eyedea. "If you accompish something you'll know it, you don't need anyone else to tell you."

Comedian Spanky: he'll leave a mark

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

On April 28 at 8 p.m. Blue Devil Productions (BDP) will continue its trend of fine entertainment by bringing the comedian Spanky to campus

This comedian has had a very impressive career since his 1985 debut in his hometown Dallas, Texas.

Since then he won over $100,000 on Star Search in 1989, and on his 1998 European tour he sold out shows in Sweden, Denmark, Spain, Italy, Greece, Sicily, and Crete.

Spanky is also a published author with the book "Men are Sluts" that in 1994 appeared on bookshelves across America.

The New York Daily News said, "This guy is adept at making people bust a gut."

After downloading a small snippet of his act, I was amazed, that, yes he is funny, very funny. What I saw was a bit about filling out job applications and their trick questions.

In a deep voice he says, as if he were reading from the application, "Have you ever been arrested?"

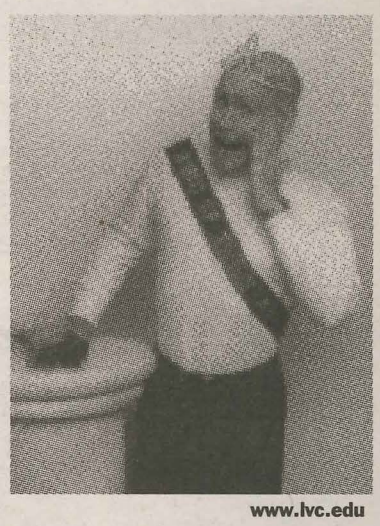
His reply in a normal voice is, "No."

Then, with a return of the deep, reading voice he says, "What for?"

After a brief, face wrenching pause, he says in a normal tone, "Never been caught."

The above excerpt is even funnier with Spanky suave stage presence and his highly entertaining mannerisms. He is definitely worth the cheap fee for the enormous entertainment. And besides, what else are you going to do on a Wednesday night?

The cost is $2.50 for University of Wisconsin-Stout students and $5.00 for the public.



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Comedian Spanky has been called the "Funniest Man in Texas" and received rave reviews from the New York Times.

Award winning musical talent rocks Stout again

Jason LeVasseur ran out of CD's to sell for the second time after an acoustic performance

Jordan Way
Entertainment Writer

He was back and rocked better than ever. On Friday, April 8, the Recreational Center held a concert, featuring Jason LeVasseur.

The crowd was small, with some people playing pool, while others gathered around the stage on couches and chairs as LeVasseur played.

It was just LeVasseur onstage with a guitar, harmonica and a voice that blew the crowd out of the water. He was very relaxed as he played his original music, talked with the crowd and cracked jokes.

Originally from North Carolina, LeVasseur told the crowd that he loves Wisconsin and especially the cheese curds. He joked that, "Dashboard cheese is yummy," after leaving a bag of curds in his car for a week.

Although the original music was good enough to stand on its own, he mixed in songs from other artists into his performance. At one point, he did an acoustic rendition of "Beautiful" by Christina Aguliera and added excerpts from "Lose Yourself," by Eminem, "Milkshake," by Kelis, and "Baby Got Back," by Sir Mix ALot.

To add to the humor of his set, LeVasseur sang a song entitled, "Driver is the DJ" which was about how when in a car, the driver gets to control what the music is.

I would describe his music as the sound of John Mayer, with the interesting guitar of Dashboard Confessionals, and the lyrical qualities of Barenaked Ladies.

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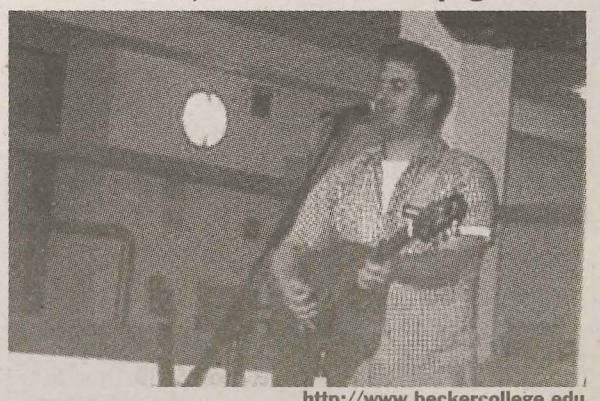

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With bands like Dave Matthews and John Mayer supporting him, LeVasseur is on the verge of mainstream.

Living like rock stars

How UW-Stout students decide which music and comedic acts come to our campus

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

Can you imagine partying with rock stars, seeing nationally known performers and rooming right across from them in a hotel, and all of it at no extra cost to you? Sounds like a dream, right?

Enter reality. Blue Devil Productions (BDP) recently invited me to travel with them to the National Association for Campus Activities (NACA) regional conference to help choose some of the entertainment acts coming to campus next year.

Many people assume that the faculty gets to pick the comedians and bands that come to the University of Wisconsin-Stout, but they are completely wrong. Students, that's right, your fellow peers, are the ones who see the acts and try to determine what is best for our campus.

We were able to witness a comedian from the hit Comedy Central show "Crank Yankers" prank call a student's mother in front of 800 people. In addition, we listened to the hip-hop group Scratch Track who performed all the beat boxing for the new Ludacris song "Sugar on My Tongue." In case you're interested, both of these acts are coming to our campus next year.

Did you know that Billy Joel once performed at UW-Stout? He performed for around $1,000 and students booked him at NACA. Not to mention that just several years ago, John Mayer's contract was passed up by our campus because there wasn't enough student interest. The following year he released, "Your Body is a Wonderland."

The bands we see playing on campus, are not entertainers that couldn't be booked anywhere else. They are performers that everyone else wants to book. Because we are in college and have university funding, campuses get discounted rates and many of the acts that you would pay $40 to see in concert, you get to see for free.

BDP is completely student run and executed. Anyone can join and get involved in this process of selection.

A huge success for UW-Stout at this conference was our graphic advertisements. All of the posters that inform you about events swept all but one category in the graphics competition.

Out of the nine states and three Canadian provinces in our region, the student artists from our school won five awards, an unprecedented amount for any one school. There were 90 different schools attending the conference and UW-Stout beat all of them.

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Students in pictures were with BDP's NACA delegation. (above top) Landon from the Real World Philadelphia attended UW-Stout for two years before signing with MTV. (above) Comedian ANT had a flamboyantly fabulous comedy routine. (below) (left to right) Justin Mueller, Christopher Audet, Davey Kargol and Austin Gullixson with their award winning graphics.

UW-Stout's Christopher Audet and Davey Kargol swept first and second place in the multicolor poster category for their work on the Olympic Hopefuls and Emilia Dahlin graphics.

Meanwhile, Austin Gullixson, who was unaware that his poster had been entered, won first place in the one-color poster category. His work was entitled, 'Crappy Opening Act.' If you missed the Matt Marka performance where Austin performed his crappy act, you can occasionally see him performing the act with his puppets at Open Mic Night at the Acoustic Café.

Kargol also took first place for his comedy series posters in the themed publicity campaign category. UW-Stout also won the miscellaneous publicity category with their handbill series, designed by Audet, Kargol, Andy Christensen and Justin Mueller.

This conference gives students the opportunity to be recognized for their hard work all year long, and gives them the chance to find the best acts in the market to bring to our campus.

In total, this year BDP saved over $3,000 in costs from all of the performers they booked. Students were able to meet Landon from "The Real World Philadelphia" and ANT, the comedian that hosts "VH1's Celebrity Fit Club." Landon, a former UW-Stout student, may even be coming back to campus in the fall to speak during orientation.

After experiencing this conference, it is impossible to imagine why people still say that there is nothing to do in this town. Every week there is a free performer

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Music / *LeVasseur has it all*

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"His lyrics were very creative, and he was a funny guy," said Jeremy Day, a freshman majoring in general business.

"I loved the sing-a-longs, and the original and recent songs," said Megan Grafe, a freshman majoring in family and consumer science education.

LeVasseur writes all his own music and has been playing guitar for ten years. He originally started out playing drums in high school, but moved on to guitar, and has now made three CDs.

He is inspired by bands such as The Counting Crows, U2, The Police and Elvis Costello.

"He was very talented and had fun songs. Totally awesome," said Rebekah Mroz, a freshman undecided major.

This self proclaimed, "Nacho Hero," a nickname that came from an amusing recording session, has certainly made a name for himself and has a lot of talent to share.

Though his CDs sold out at the UW-Stout performance, fans can still buy them and listen to clips online.

His Web site is http://www.jasonlevasseur.com and anyone who enjoyed the concert, or those who couldn't make it, should check it out, because it is an exhibit for a very talented singer and songwriter.

NACA / *students book future acts*

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with nationally known success and almost every week there is another performer that can be seen for $3 or less. It doesn't get any better than that.

Anyone who is interested in getting involved in behind the scene action of the entertainment industry at UW-Stout, stop by the BDP meetings at 6:30, Monday nights in the Memorial Student Center. You can also stop by their office, back behind the Involvement and Leadership Center in the lower level of the MSC.

For more information on how to get involved or any upcoming events, call 232-2432 or check out their Web site at http://www.bdp.uwstout.edu/bdp/.

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Two of the comedians showcasing at NACA, Tracey Ashley and Dana Eagle were hysterical. Ashley is coming to our campus next year.

Family Weekend

Friday, April 15th

8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Relax at the Recreation Center Lounge
12 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Bowling and Billiards in the Recreation Center
4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Prometheus Creative Arts Journal Opening
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Super Size Me with Morgan Spurlock
7 p.m. – 7 a.m.
Relay for Life
7:30 p.m.
Pippin: A Musical

Saturday, April 16th

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Wakanda Park Open 2005 Disc Golf Tournament
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Louis Smith Tainter Open House
11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Library Learning Center Open House
10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Master Class: Discovery in Rehabilitation
10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Master Class: Boning up on Food and Nutritional Trends
10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Master Class: Listening
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Lab: e-Portfolio Development
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Lab: Corner III
10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
The Ministry Open House
10 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Bowling and Billiards in the Recreation Center
11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Stout Band Concert
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
8-Ball Doubles Billiards Tournament
12 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Dirt Cheap Auction
12 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Scotch Doubles Bowling Tournament
1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Master Class: The Wired Library
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
UW-Stout Choral Concert
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Master Class: Discovery in Rehabilitation
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Master Class: Boning up on Food and Nutritional Trends
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Family Weekend Buffet
7:30 p.m.
Pippin: A Musical
8 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Fashion without Fabric

Sunday, April 17th

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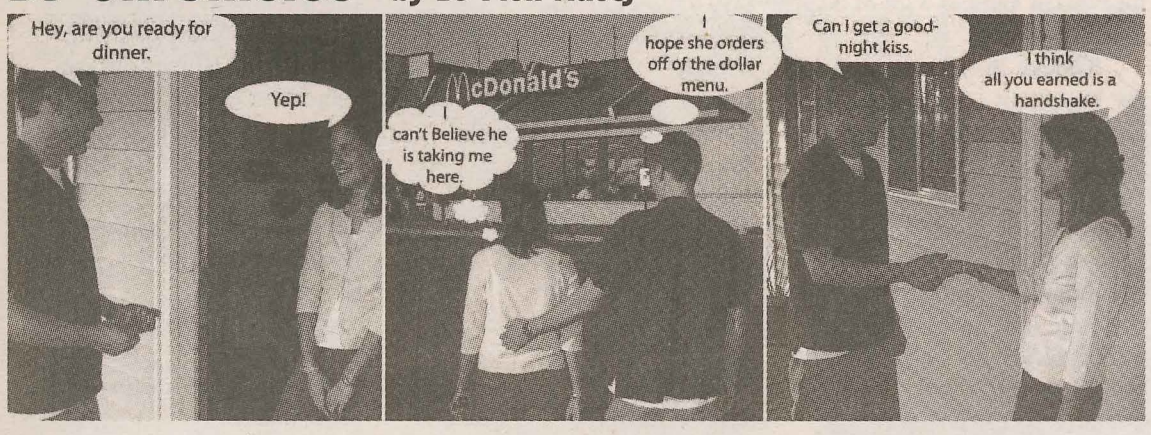

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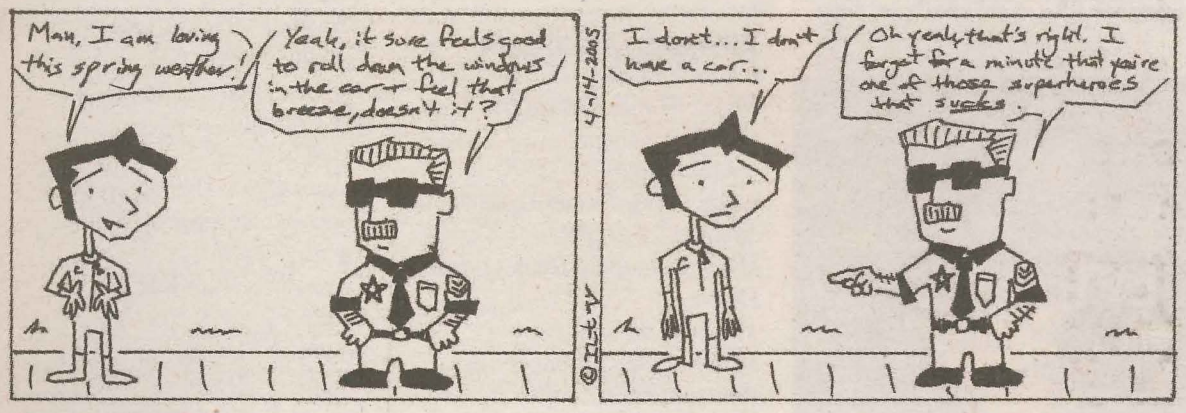

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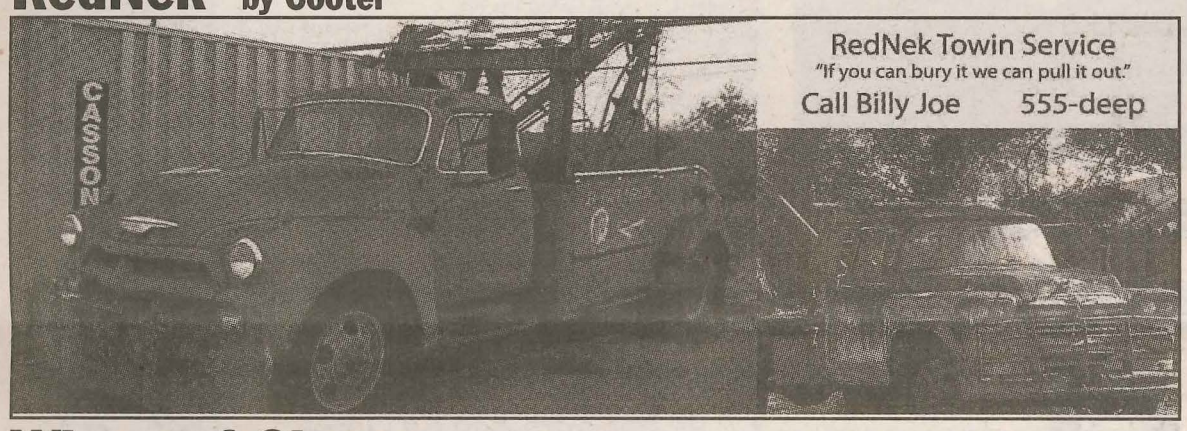

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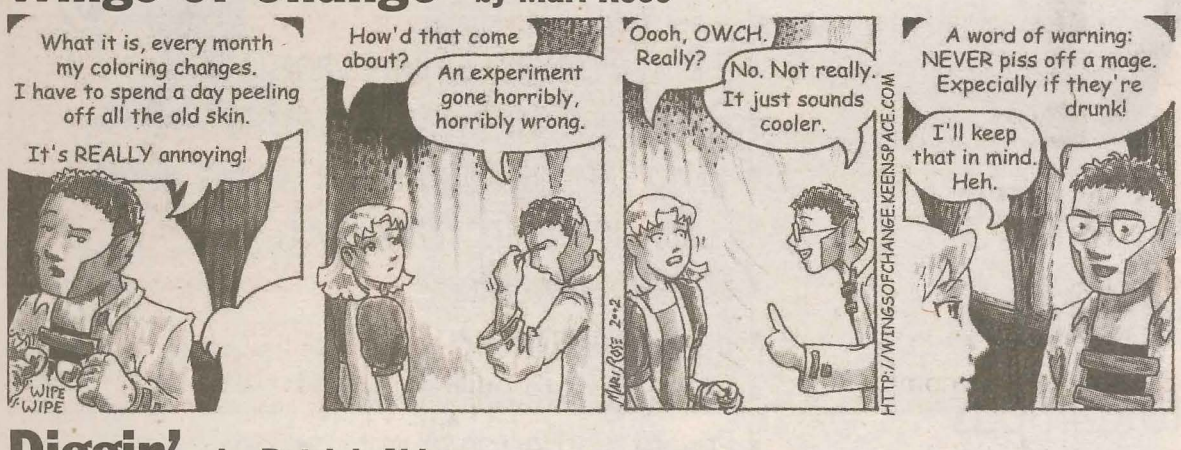

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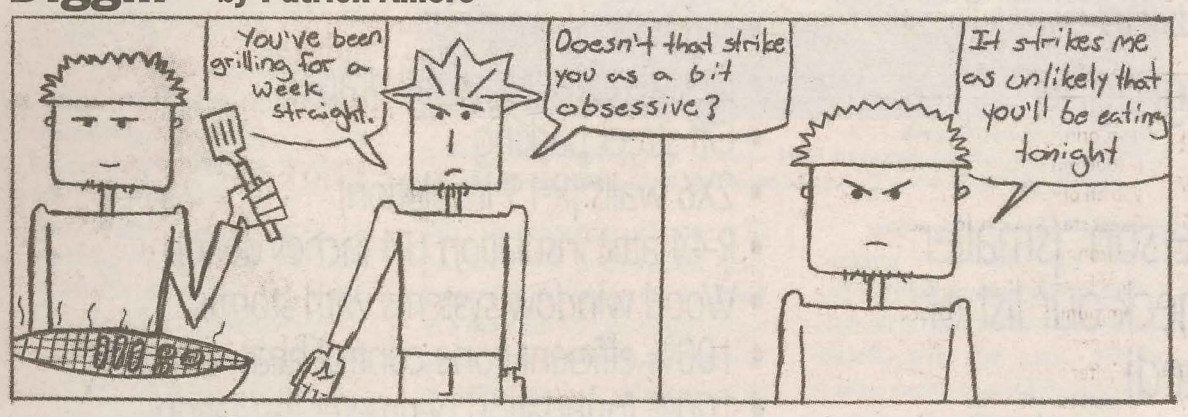

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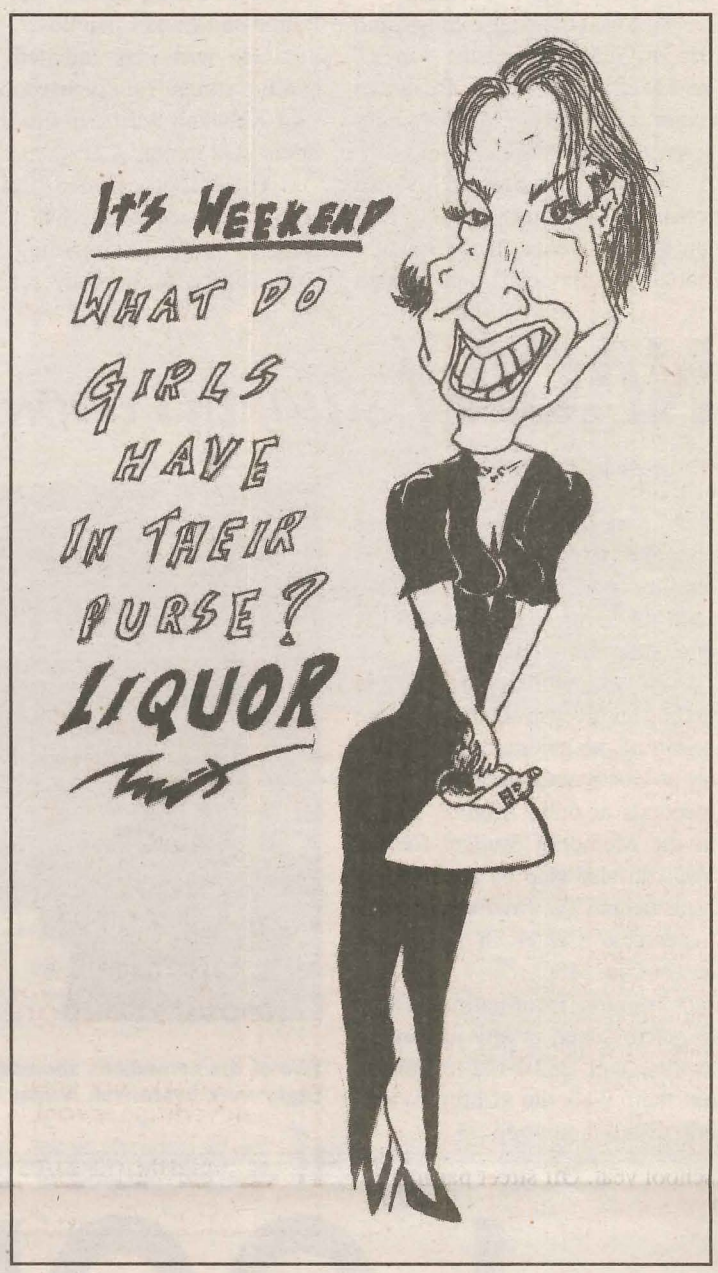

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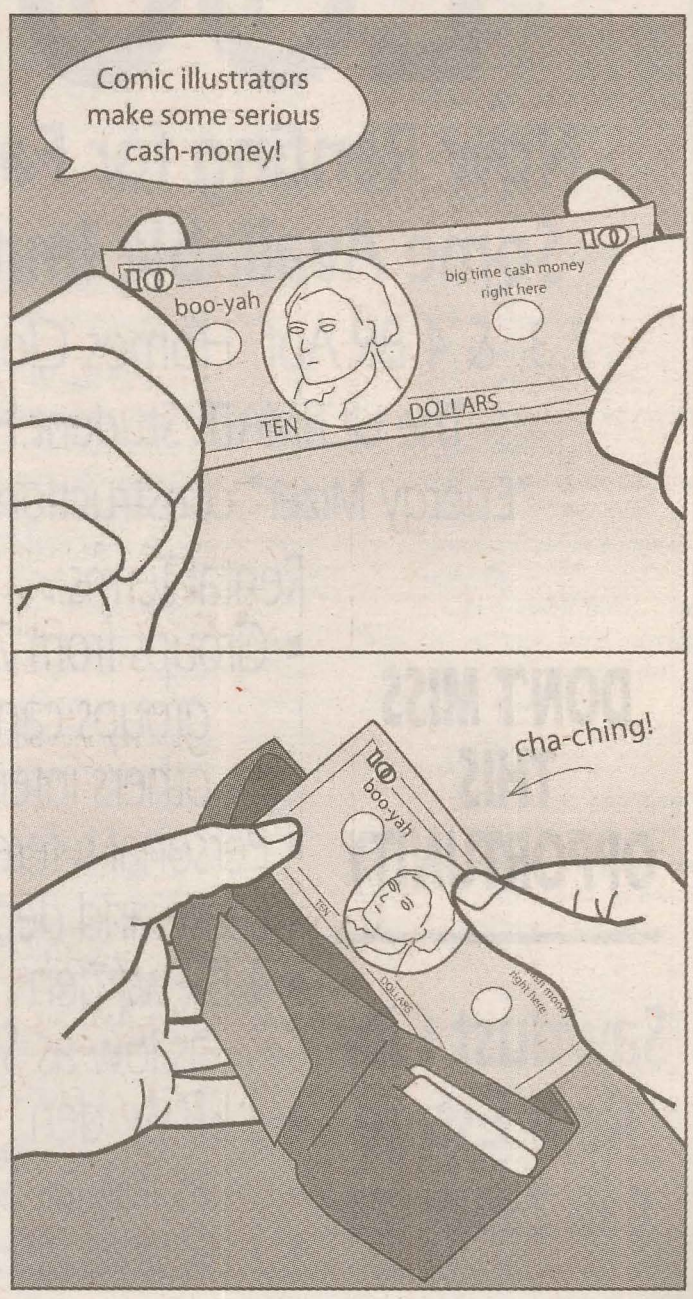

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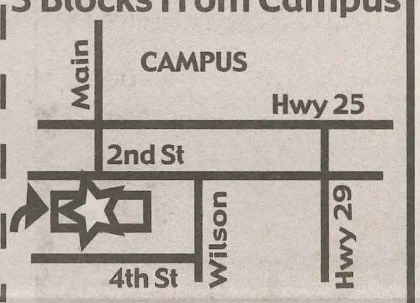

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Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

A hot bat from senior Erin O'Connell gave the Blue Devil softball team a sweep over Hamline University on April 11.

O'Connell started early by smashing a home run in the first inning of the first game against the Pipers. It was one of her two home runs for the evening.

After winning the first game 4-2, the University of Wisconsin-Stout stepped it up in the night game.

O'Connell's second home run came in the second inning of the second game when she hit a three run shot and opened the flood gates for an 11-3 Blue Devils win.

She also put an end to the second game with a two run single.

In total, she went 5-for-7 in the two games and drove in seven runs.

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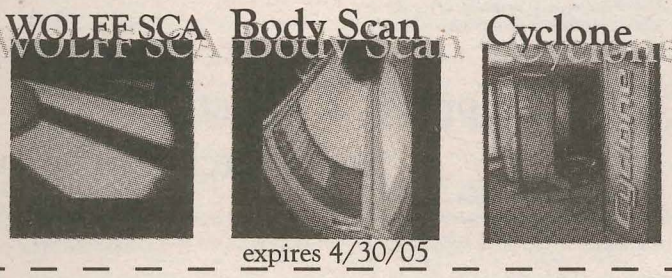
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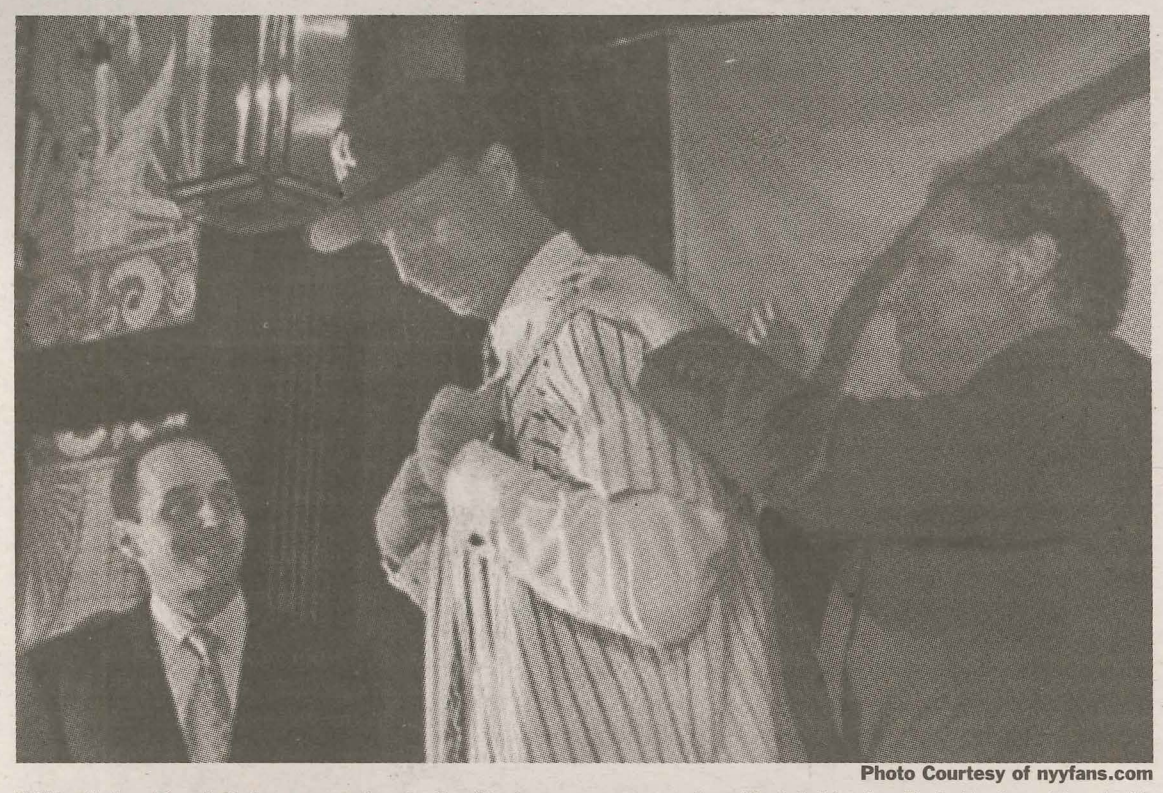
Building a better baseball team

By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer



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With pitcher Randy Johnson moving to the Yankees, many people will pick him for their Fantasy Baseball team. Some baseball analysts believe that Johnson will win over 30 games this season.

Crack! A baseball flies over the stadium walls, into the parking lot and right through some guy's new car window. He probably has insurance, but it turns out he's involved in a Fantasy Baseball League, and that Geoff Jenkins home run just earned him a 32" Plasma Widescreen High Definition television.

Now that we have your attention, you may want to know what Fantasy Baseball is and how you can prove to your friends that you are good at sports although you never get off your couch.

For this particular example, we will use the ESPN Fantasy Baseball League. The ESPN League has become extremely popular over the past decade with the easy accessibility of the internet and personal computers.

Fantasy Baseball works like this: As "team owners," you draft real-life, professional players to play for your fantasy team. The statistics that these players generate in their real games are collected, and fantasy points are awarded based on how well a player does.

The better a player performs, the more points you get and the better your chances are of winning the grand prize.

Now with a fresh season, many people don't really know who to draft or who to leave on the bench. Remember, fantasy baseball is a lot of luck, a little skill and common sense.

Hopefully with the help of *The Stoutonia*, your players will get the job done and you can bring that television down to the office to share with us.

Now that you know a little about how to get points, it's time to find some of the hot players. If your're looking to up your teams' batting averages, get players like Ichiro Suzuki, Willy Taveras, and Pat Burrell. All of these players have started hot behind the plate and carry a good stick throughout most of the season.

Burrell already has 17 RBIs and a .480 batting average. He would be an excellent player to pick up on your Fantasy Baseball League.

Pedro Martínez looks like the hot pitcher again this season, but in fantasy it takes more than one person to make a team. We suggest picking up Randy Johnson, Johan Santana and of course, Ben Sheets.

Rookies are often overlooked in fantasy leagues due to their high risk factor, but taking a gamble on a rookie can lead to a huge payout for your team. Third baseman, Dallas McPherson of the Angels, looks like a strong young rookie, as does outfielder Nick Swisher of the Athletics. Both have had a solid pre-season and may be a great sleeper pick.

The roster for a team consists of 22 active slots, three bench slots and one DL slot.

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Now, lets say it's the middle of the season and one of your players starts acting up. He's making a ton of errors and batting poorly.

The Fantasy League allows you to trade or cut players from the team anytime, however your team must always have the required 22 roster spots filled.

If you are a huge baseball fan and want another reason to watch games, join up with a Fantasy Baseball League.

Not only will it give you something to cheer for, you will be building up those statistical skills for the day you have to go get a real job.

If baseball is not up your alley, ESPN has a variety of fantasy sports that are willing to give away tons of prizes to people like you.

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3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
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4	3	147 1/2 Main A	$1100	$275	$1100	$275	Inc. utilities, huge, great location washer/dryer	
4	1	315 1/2 Main	$1100	$275	n/a	n/a	Downtown location, includes water/sewer hot water, heat, trash	O
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$750	$150	$900	$180	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	1220 7th Street	$795	$195	$1100	$220	1 Block from Campus/washer/dryer/	H
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5	2	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	N/A	N/A	W/D, right on campus, Special 9mo. lease	
5	2	2006 5th St. #B	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	New /Washer-Dryer, has everything	3
5	2+	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1200	$240	$1400	$234	Fabulous newer construction, WashDry	D
5	2	512 19th Ave W.	$750	$150	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking	D
5	2	516 19th Ave W.	$750	$150	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking	D
5	2	512 19th Ave W.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking SPECIAL 9 MONTH LEASE	D
5	2	516 19th Ave W.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking SPECIAL 9 MONTH LEASE	D
6	2+	121 1/2 W 13th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	Super Location, Washer/Dryer, newer	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Ave.	$1200	$200	$1400	$234	new, large bedrooms, next to campus,Wash/Dry	D
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (8-12)

The Blue Devils swept Superior on April 10, winning 7-6, and 18-7.

Next Game:
April 16 at Whitewater

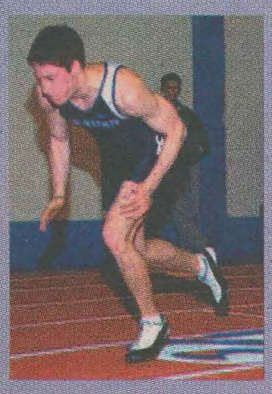
Tennis

The Blue Devils will host Martin Luther College on April 14.

Next Match:
April 18 hosting St. Mary's College

Track & Field

The Blue Devil women will compete in the Gustavous Adolphus Invitational, and the men wll be at the Blugold Invite.



Softball (3-8)

The Blue Devils swept Hamline on April 11, winning 4-2 and 11-3.

Next Game:
April 14 hosting St. Scholastica

It's official, Spring is here

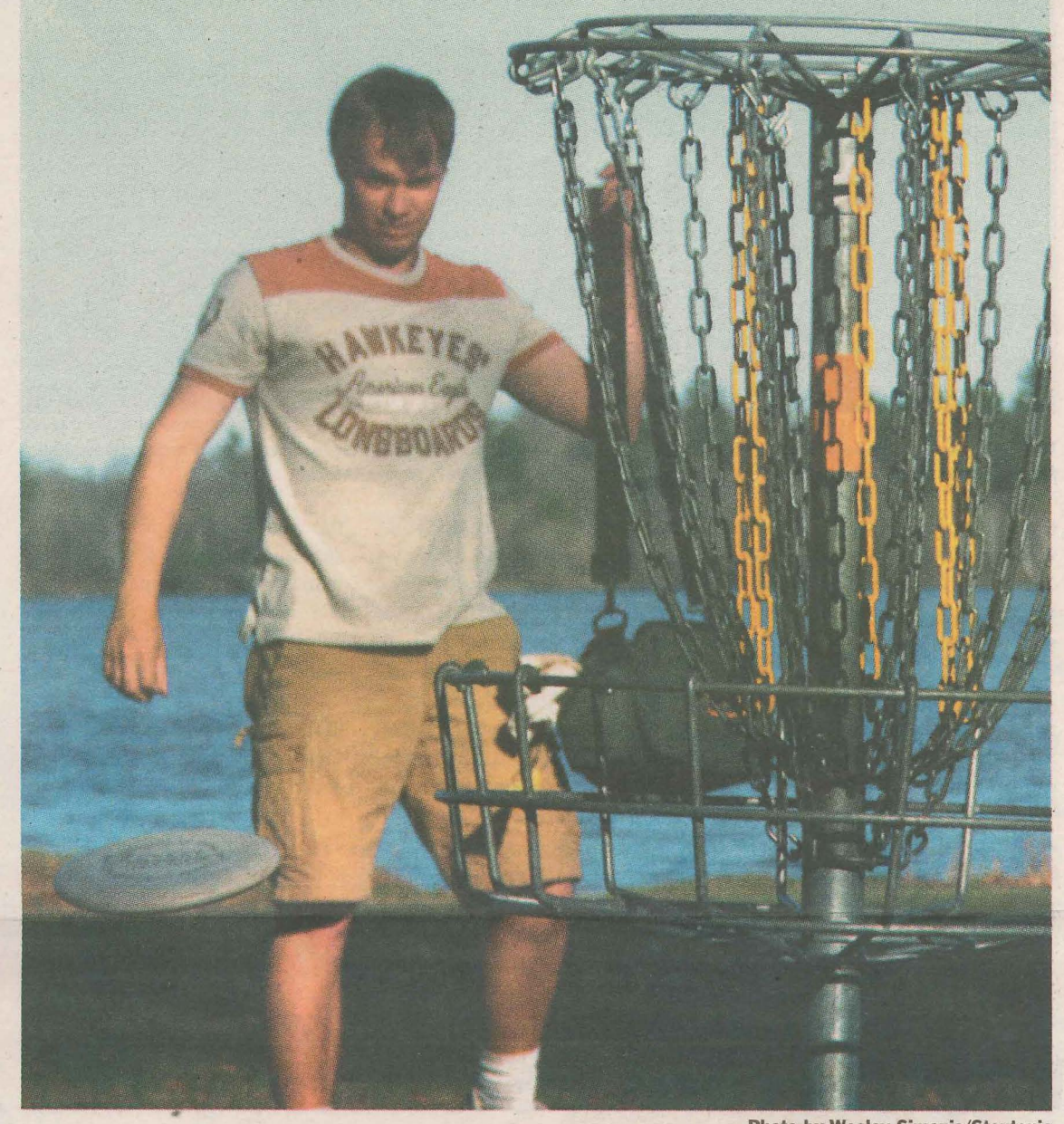


Photo by Wesley Simonis/Stoutonia

Disc Golf president Jason Hendrickson watches a putt skip out of the chains at Wakanda park. The park is the site for the first ever professional disc golf event in Menomonie. The event is on April 16 and 17.

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

The UW-Stout Disc Golf Club will host Menomonie's first Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) sanctioned event at Wakanda Park April 16-17.

Entrants will come to compete in the Wakanda Park Open from all over including Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin, North Dakota and Texas.

Prizes for the tournament will range from cash for the Professional Division players, to "funny money" for the amateur division, which can be used to buy items from vendors at the tournament.

PDGA members that participate will receive points for playing in the tournament, as well as build their player rating in hopes of being invited to the PDGA World Championship.

The Disc Golf Club is installing a new disc golf course in Menomonie this spring. Currently, the location of this course is unknown, but the club has several possibilities in mind.

The Disc Golf Club has come a long way over the past three years; it started in the mid-90s, but lost popularity. Then students and community members helped rebuild the club in 2002.

In the past, the club has helped participate in local events and worked to get baskets installed on campus. The club uses the baskets to hold practices and mini competitions.

The club hopes to install a nine-hole course close to campus for both beginners and advanced players. The course will be free for anyone in the community to use.

Currently, the team is selling memberships, discs and other disc golf merchandise as a way to raise the funds for the new course.

"We appreciate all the support students and the community have provided towards the project already," said Jason Hendrickson, team president. "We still have some great items left, and soon we will be selling memberships for next year."

The club will be offering "early bird" memberships to allow students to receive paid tournament entry over the summer for the tournament of their choice.

The Wisconsin Disc Golf Tour will soon be in full swing, with over 10 sanctioned events and dozens more unsanctioned events in Wisconsin alone. Members can choose to play in Minnesota tournaments as well.

Anyone can get involved in tournaments, as most tournaments have a beginner or recreational division for people who are just starting. There are also advanced divisions for people who play more often.

There are also an open division, which is for advanced disc golfers who play for a cash prize.

"Most disc golfers that throw often, can easily play their first tournament in an intermediate or amateur division with no problem," said Hendrickson.

The club also plans to host a glow-in-the-dark course, after the Wakanda Park Open.

If you are interested in learning disc golf, the team encourages you to come and try it.

Rental discs are available at the University Recreation Office, 41 Sports & Fitness Center.

The team can be contacted by writing to stoutdiscgolfclub @uwstout.edu.

More information on the Wakanda Park Open and the team is available on the team's web site at htttp://www.discgolf.uwstout.edu.

It's always lonely at the top

Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

When Tiger Woods captured his fourth Masters title last Sunday, I thought it would be the exclamation point that would silence many critics who feel the 29-year-old may have passed his winning prime.

While Tiger didn't tear up the competition at Augusta, his overall play during the four days, and his ability to stay calm under pressure, should have earned him a reprieve from the constant questioning of his game.

Apparently they're not satisfied.

Wild, inconsistent, flawed and human were just some of the words chosen by writers across the nation to describe Tiger's performance last weekend. It is the first time I've ever seen a champion of a golf tournament take so much flack for winning at one of the toughest golf courses and against the world's best competition.

The other thing that these so-called experts forget about is the other players on the tour.

Shouldn't they be given some credit for keeping Woods in check for this long? Has his game slipped, or has their game just gotten better.

Chris DiMarco played an amazing final round. He handled the pressure of the crowd and Tiger considerably. His four day total of 276 was equal to Tiger's and his performance was labled superb and compelling.

Are the hundreds of players that finished behind Tiger last weekend that bad? If Tiger's game is considered flawed, then where do these players rank?

The ESPN network actually had a count going of how many majors Woods had played in and lost. He was up to an amazingly high 10 majors straight without a win. In those 10 events, he failed to defeat players like Phil Mickelson, Vijay Singh and Erine Els. Woods did manage, however, to make the cut in all of those events.

Then again, every professional golfer must win a major at some time. I mean it's not like it's that difficult or anything.

So is Tiger Woods human? The answer is yes. He has been human his whole career, and it's the other players who should be credited for finally finding a way to keep up with him.

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Stout student elected to city council

By Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

Aaron Fonder, a senior in dietetics, was elected to the Menomonie City Council. His two year term will begin on April 19. Fonder won as a write-in with a vote of 11 to 7, beating incumbent Scott Kolve. Fonder won the position of Alderman of the 7th Ward, which is mainly south campus area.

Fonder started campaigning election. Fonder had many reasons for running.

"I ran not for myself, but for the students of the university and the community," he said. Fonder feels very strongly about the importance of working together with the community.

"The university and the community are not two separate entities; they are intertwined and connected, so we need to work together in to order to benefit the most people," he said.

While serving on city council, Fonder will be involved with three committees: the Community-University Relations Committee, Tainter/Menomin Lake Association Board Committee and the Board of Review. Fonder hopes to bring fresh eyes to the council to "help diagnose, analyze and give opinions and suggestions."

"I am very stimulated and excited to be working with these people," he said.

Along with being elected to city council, Fonder is involved in many different organizations from national level to campus organization. He goes to school full time and plans on graduating in May of 2006.

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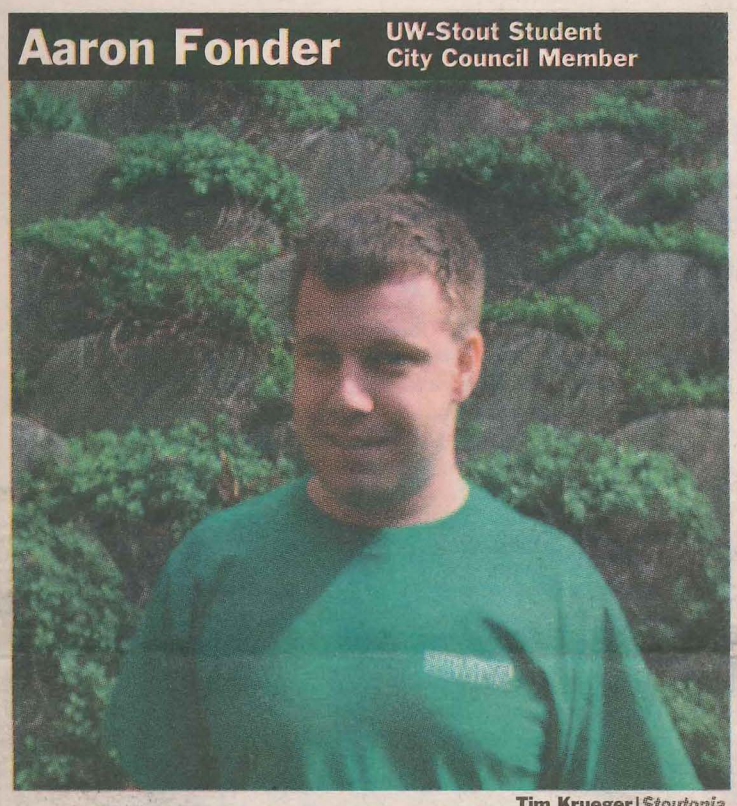

Tim Krueger|*Stoutonia*

Charges filed in thefts

Two suspects apprehended on Thursday in LCD thefts.

MENOMONIE- UW-Stout Police and the Menomonie Police Department took two men into custody for attempting to steal LCD projectors from the university.

Charles Lewis Snoddy, 21, and Hannibal Isaiah Jones, 21, both of Minneapolis, were arrested for the April 13 theft attempts of the projectors. Neither of the men has any affiliation with UW-Stout.

Based on the investigation, both men have been charged with the April 13 attempt to steal six projectors, as well as the thefts of 10 additional LCD projectors from UW-Stout in January, valued between $3,500-$5,500 each. They have been charged with 16 counts including burglary, theft, attempted theft, possession of burglary tools and possession of marijuana.

Further investigation is occurring with University Police and security departments of several campuses from the Twin Cities and UW-River Falls areas regarding open cases of stolen LCD projectors.

A preliminary hearing is set for Monday, April 25 for both men.

At that hearing, the district attorney will request that the six projectors from this recent incident be returned to the university after photos of the projectors are taken, citing the prohibitive cost to the university to replace these units.

It is up to the defendants and their attorney to stipulate to that agreement. If agreed, the university will be able to put the units back on campus on Tuesday, April 26, although some engraving used as investigative identifiers will need to be done to these six units in case they would be required for a jury trial.

Organic herbicide applied

Tim Krueger|*Stoutonia*

The mysterious yellow substance applied to the arboretum is actually a Corn Gluten Meal, a derivative of corn that prevents weeds from growing but does not harm existing plants.

By Tim Krueger
News Editor

If you have walked around south campus, primarily in the arboretum south of the Memorial Student Center, you may have noticed that the ground has turned yellow.

Corn Gluten Meal, a patented natural pre-emergence herbicide has been spread on the ground as part of a four year study to test organic methods of controlling weeds.

Corn Gluten Meal, developed by Nick Christians, a professor of horticulture at Iowa State University, works by preventing the primary root of sprouting seeds from forming. The material does not harm existing plants or animals.

In addition, during decomposition, this material produces nitrogen similar to other organic material that adds to the soil and increases the density of the turf.

"We are observing it as we go," said Lynn Peterson, grounds supervisor for the University of Wisconsin-Stout. "It seems to be working well."

This year is the third year that the study has been used for maintaining a healthier turf.

The material is purposefully applied on top of the sidewalks so that it will settle into cracks and prevent weeds.

This reduces the use of herbicides and pesticides in the summer, and the material will be swept from the solid surfaces within a few days.

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Weather

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Saturday 50 / 29 Partly Cloudy
Sunday 60 / 34 Partly Cloudy
Monday 63 / 35 Mostly Cloudy
Tuesday 60 / 38 Partly Cloudy
Wednesday 60 / 35 Partly Cloudy
Thursday 62 / 41 Light Rain

Fonder / *working hard to help the community*

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Fonder is a member of a professional health educator focus group in the American Dietetic Association.

He is also a representative on the student council advisory board for the same organization and also works with both the Wisconsin Dietetic Association and the Chippewa Valley Dietetic Associations where he works with the boards.

On campus, Fonder is the president of the Stout Student Dietetics Association and the Scuba Diving Association.

He is a member of the Society for Advancement of Management, Phi U, the Technology Fee Committee and the Focus 2010 Program Implementation Committee and Subcommittee.

While he was the president of the SSDA, the organization won the service project of the year award and is nominated for the best event of the year for the health fair.

Fonder is involved in so many things but feels that no one person can do anything amazing, it takes many people.

"Without the SSDA members and its advisors and [dietetics] students and faculty, the awesome events and its results wouldn't happen," he said.

Along with being in these organizations, Fonder has received several prestigious awards. He is the Wisconsin Dietetic Association's Outstanding Student of the Year and is nominated for the American Dietetic Association's Outstanding Student of the Year award. He also received the Samuel E. Wood Medallion, the most prestigious award a student can receive at UW-Stout.

When Fonder graduates, he will finish his term on city council and would like to get his Registered Dietician License.

Other things that he would like to do after graduating include working in an outreach clinic doing research, eventually teaching nutrition and working for the ADA. Although he won't limit himself to any of these things.

As well as being involved in so many things, Fonder is also a great friend. "I miss living next to Fonder, he always used to bring me coffee and cookies when I was stressed out," said Adam Kastonek, a junior in multimedia design.

"If there is any way I can add substance to someone's life, I will," said Fonder.

For people who want to get involved in campus organizations, he recommends finding your niche, seeing what you are good at, working with the SSA and using their knowledge to your advantage

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1	1	147 1/2 Main St #7	$195	$195	inc	inc	Util inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1	1	1471/2 Main St. #8	$160	$160	inc	inc	Util Inc/bath off hallway/location/n/p,laundry	SR
1	1	321 1/2 Main St. #1	$375	$375	n/a	n/a	Downtown location, includes heat and trash	O
1	1	321 1/2 Main St #2	$375	$375	n/a	n/a	Downtown location, includes heat and trash	O
1	1	2202 4th Ave #5	$340	$340	n/a	n/a	Located behind hospital, WASHER/DRYER	O
1	1	803 Wilson Ave #2	$350	$350	inc	inc	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	1226 Knapp St	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	Downstairs of duplex/North Menomonie	D
1	1	421 Wilson Ave #4	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
2	1	147 1/2 Main St. C	$600	$300	$600	$300	Util Inc. Great downtown location/n/p	O
2	1	119 Main St. #2	$380	$190	$430	$215	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	915 1/2 Main St.	$360	$180	$435	$218	Nice Duplex with parking	D
3	1	1311 1/2 S. Broadway	$450	$150	$570	$190	WASHER/DRYER/Next to campus	D
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$500	$167	$650	$217	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	802 6th Ave #4	$675	$225	$675	$225	Parking, Util included	6
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
3	1	327 1/2 Main St	$750	$250	n/a	n/a	Downtown location, includes trash pickup	O
4	1	915 Main St.	$700	$175	$830	$207	Good location in duplex, large	D
4	1	1606 10th St.	$550	$138	$720	$180	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
4	1	1208 - 8th St.	$600	$150	$720	$180	WashDry hook-up/Gas heat/Storage	D
4	2	414 14th Av W. #2	$880	$220	$1020	$255	Modern/high eff gas heat/W&D/AC.	8
4	2	1620 - 6th St.	$800	$200	$1000	$250	Great House/W/D hook-up/gas heat	H
4	2	1702 6th St	$900	$225	$1075	$269	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
4	1	1208 1/2 - 8th St.	$500	$125	$720	$180	Gas heat/Storage, great location	D
4	3	147 1/2 Main A	$1100	$275	$1100	$275	Inc. utilities, huge, great location washer/dryer	
4	1	315 1/2 Main	$1100	$275	n/a	n/a	Downtown location, includes water/sewer hot water, heat, trash	O
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Ave.	$700	$140	$880	$176	WashDry hook-up/excel shape/lg rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th St.	$750	$150	$900	$180	WASHER/DRYER/ right on campus	H
5	2	405 20th Ave E.	$900	$180	$1060	$212	Great house/washer/dryer/	H
5	2	1820 8th St. B	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG.Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	1820 8th St. D	$1100	$220	$1225	$245	New,LG Rooms,WASH/DRY/DISHWASH	4
5	2	607 13th Ave.	$1000	$200	$1200	$240	Excellent/huge rooms/location/parking	H
5	2	1115 6th St.	$1000	$200	N/A	N/A	W/D, right on campus, Special 9mo. lease	
5	2+	1415 1/2 8th St.	$1200	$240	$1400	$234	Fabulous newer construction, WashDry	D
5	2	512 19th Ave W.	$750	$150	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking	D
5	2	516 19th Ave W.	$750	$150	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking	D
5	2	512 19th Ave W.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking SPECIAL 9 MONTH LEASE	D
5	2	516 19th Ave W.	$1000	$200	n/a	n/a	Lots of room, off street parking SPECIAL 9 MONTH LEASE	D
6	2	205 W17th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	205 W17th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1350	$225	NEW,Super location,Wash/Dry,Dish/W	4
6	2	321 20th Ave B	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave C	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	4
6	2	321 20th Ave D	$1200	$200	$1375	$230	New Large Bedrooms, WASHER/DRYER	H
7	2	802 12th Ave.	$1260	$180	$1485	$213	Large modern/Exc. Cond./Wsh/Dry/garage	H
10	3	1609 6th St.	$1600	$160	$1900	$190	lots of room/location, wash/Dry	H

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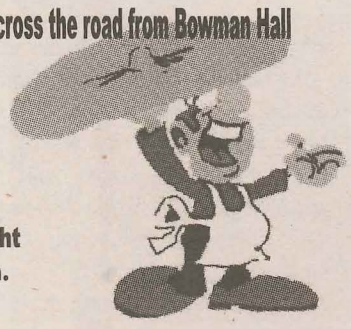

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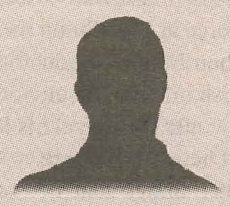
New Pope vows short reign



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Leading all the Catholics on the planet is not an easy task. Following in the footsteps of a man who lead for 26 years can't make that job any easier.

So, what did newly elected Poop Benedict XVI have to say about his plans for his own papacy?

"I too hope in this short reign to be a man of peace," said Benedict, according to YahooNews.

Wait, he's planning on not being around for more than a short reign? Does anyone else find that odd?

It's been widely reported that his health is pretty much on par for a man of his age. He is 78 and has been through his fair share of health related concerns.

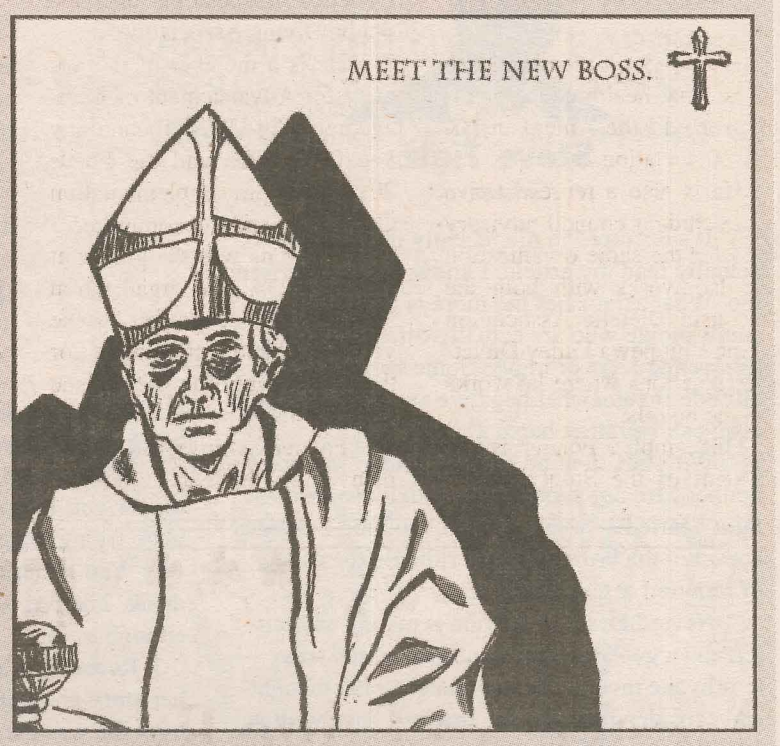
Benedict picked his name because Benedict XV had pushed for peace during his reign during World War I.

If Benedict is planning on getting the peace talks of the world jump started, wouldn't he realize that he needs more than a "short reign" to do that?

This all seems very strange. After a 26-year reign by Karol Wojtyla, better know as Pope John Paul II, Cardinals elected a new pope who is almost as old and has health concerns much like that of the recently departed John Paul II.

By electing a person who admits his reign will be short and has health concerns, it's hard not to think that the Cardinals doing the electing in Vatican City might be trying to build excitement in the church with the conclave.

On the first day of conclave, reporters thought they saw white smoke and the crowd in St. Peters Square started going nuts, then the smoke showed its true color, black, which, of course, means no new Pope.



While that event may have been slightly embarrassing for those reporters, it was one of the more exciting moments the Roman Catholic Church has seen lately.

That's right. Smoke was exciting to the church.

While it's possible that the church is picking a new leader based on his life expectancy, it's more likely that they are picking him based on his desire to see the church return to the morals and values it has always stood for in the past.

That's as close to forward thinking as the church is going to get.

Dressing as Marilyn Monroe for cancer, not for fun

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Can you believe it? We only have like three weeks left of school. Well, more like four…ish. I added that ish because you just never can tell what will happen during crazy finals week. Okay, so, I guess you can pretty much always tell what will happen during that week-you'll be busy. But I'm getting off topic here, so I'll try to turn back on track.

The reason I bring up the time left in the current school year is that I realize that I only have a few articles left before summer starts and I have to leave the roomful of people that read this column something to enjoy during the three month article drought that will soon be upon us.

I really wasn't sure what to write about this week and then it hit me: I haven't embarrassed myself in a while, so what better time than now. Here goes…

Last weekend I did Relay for Life, which is sponsored by the American Cancer Society (ACS). If you haven't ever done it, I really recommend it. It's a lot of fun and all the money goes to cancer research. But enough of that, I don't want to get too preachy. To sum it up, Relay for Life consists of a series of events and happenings over a 12-hour period that in raise money, as I said before, for cancer research. One of these events is a little competition entitled "Dude Looks Like a Lady." You can imagine where this is going.

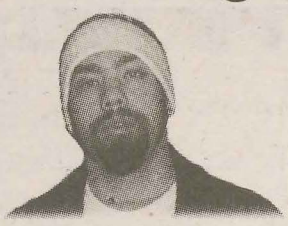
Of course, on my relay team, I was unanimously chosen to be the guy to cross-dress for cancer. I was almost positive they would want me to do it anyway, so I just volunteered for it, but that's beside the point. I had to get dolled up. This wasn't the first time I had worn makeup, for charity or otherwise, so I was pretty sure I knew what to expect. I should learn never to expect anything.

My team wanted me to look hot, so they dressed me as…Marilyn Monroe. You know, that famous photo of her where her dress is blowing up while standing over that grating in the street? That's what I looked like, except much hairier and not as confident in high heels.

The only thing worse than people telling me how well I walked in heels was the fact that the dress they found fit me disturbingly well. Yeesh. Oh, and eye makeup is also VERY hard to remove. I felt like Robert Smith from the Cure for the rest of the weekend.

But in the end, it was all in good fun. I mean, it was for cancer, how could I say no. I wasn't the hottest she-male there, however. The competition was to walk around and entice money out of the other relay participants. I came up with $16, but one of the other guys had a total of over $70. Some girls just have no dignity, I guess.

Trying to provoke some thought



Steve Tietz
Columnist

It's occurred to me recently that people actually read my article. I know, I was surprised too. What astonishes me more is that there are some people who are actually offended by the things that I say or imply. Some feel that my attitude is somewhat negative and that my criticism can be rather harsh at times.

With this in mind I would like to say that I neither care nor sympathize with those that are faint hearted or weak minded. Opinion columns are often the brunt of much ridicule for its lack of required research and bias.

Nevertheless, an opinion is merely an opinion and a good opinion should be biased so as to provoke thought. I have placed much thought and consideration into the articles I have written and it seems that even sometimes my opinion can be swayed.

I wrote an article criticizing those who were present during the time of my underage violation, citing their perceived lack of compassion and disregard for personal dignity. The end result of my violation was a punishment both creative and just. My punishment included weekly meetings, which I was required to attend with my hall director and to come up with ideas that would aid incoming freshmen in alcohol awareness. I won't go into the details of my ideas to help bring awareness to freshmen, but my required meetings have slightly swayed my opinions of our night security, RAs and hall directors.

I've found throughout my meetings that these people have a duty to uphold a certain standard of living and when that standard of living is interrupted, they must act without prejudice and without compromise. It just so happened, I was the individual that interrupted that quality of living and therefore; I was the only one at fault. I will not go so far as to take back any bit of criticism regarding these people and their positions, but I do hold these people in a higher regard now then I did before.

My criticism does not stop there however, because I have found throughout this entire ordeal that the system of handling drinking violations at UW-Stout is flawed. It's flawed in the fact that it does not adequately deal with prevention; its design is to influence the behavior of those that choose to drink by threatening them with high-priced fines and half-assed punishments.

I am not saying my punishment was not worthy; my particular punishment used my abilities to my advantage and allowed me to learn a great deal about myself and the process of drinking. But having gone through the process of receiving one underage citation prior to this, I know first hand that the punishment normally given out is a joke. It fails to bring awareness to your own personal issues with drinking, whether it is that you simply got caught out of stupidity, or that you actually may have a problem with drinking, or that you know absolutely nothing about how to manage your alcohol intake.

My suggestion to those student drinkers is this: (1) be smart about where you go and what you do there, (2) don't try to out drink everybody, just drink as much as you feel comfortable drinking. As my father has told me time and time again, "moderation is the key" and you will gain no respect for being a fall down, waste of space drunk.

For those that wish to criticize me and the things I write because they support a leftist view or a negative view, then so be it. We're all entitled to our opinions, I have mine and you have yours. If you choose to wage a war with only your opinions, you will lose; wage a war with your opinions and the knowledge to back that opinion up and no one can touch you.

You're not just hurting yourself

Getting caught drinking and driving is an expensive way to prove stupidity

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

You either do something, or you don't; there really isn't much of a difference if you try or not.

When you drink and drive, you either do hurt someone or you're waiting to. It doesn't matter how much you were trying to get home, or trying to swerve out of the way. You either learn how to walk drunk or you don't drink. There is no excuse for just trying to stay sober enough to drive.

Recently, a stranger I met at the bar was telling me her story about drinking and driving. She told me about how she was the reason a girl had to have a massive amount of stitches all over her face. She ended up in jail for 60 days and now has little to no memory of ever being behind the wheel.

Drinking and driving seems so logical when you're drunk, because you don't want to walk. I know the feeling. It's cold outside, or you live way too far away, so someone needs to drive and if no one will step up, you will. You're the dependable one, or at least you think you are.

> ***"More than two-thirds of the children 14 and under that died in automobile accidents were in the vehicle with a drunk driver. Only 32 percent of the children were properly restrained at the time of the accident."***

In a 2002 national government survey, more than two-thirds of the children 14 and under that died in automobile accidents were in the vehicle with a drunk driver. Only 32 percent of the children were properly restrained at the time of the accident.

Wendi Fox, a well-known lecturer and comedienne, recently did a speech in which she compared adults to that of children. Imagine a niece or nephew of your own, or maybe even your child, running around, laughing and exploring, not taking the time to fear for his or her own life.

Inside each of us is a child who still giggles and misbehaves with an acute sweetness that will never die. Would you ever hurt that child? Would you leave that child alone with a stranger, or beat that child, or even worse kill that poor child? I wouldn't and I doubt you would.

Every time a person drinks and gets behind the wheel, they not only take their own life into their hands, but they put the lives of innocent people around them in jeopardy. A drunk driver takes the lives of people who never got to say good-bye to their loved ones, the lives of people who were never able to live their dreams and they reduce this stranger's life to nothing but a fatal accident report.

When I was younger, I used to drink and drive; now, I'm more responsible. I had heard that drunk drivers only get caught one in 700 times they're on the road. So, my joke was that people who get pulled over the first time they drive drunk are actually the lucky ones because they have 1,400 more "get out of jail free" cards.

It's not so funny anymore.

For just $3, students can get a ride to and from wherever they want to go in Menomonie thanks to Bull's Shuttle. That's a total of $6 for one night of drinking, compared to the minimum drunk driving first offense ticket which averages around $600-$900 in Wisconsin, after court costs. Not to mention what you'll pay if you hit someone, or if anyone in your vehicle is injured or killed.

No amount of alcohol is worth killing a person; people shouldn't have to pay their entire life for such a reckless act that could have been stopped. People just living their lives shouldn't have to die because someone thought drinking and driving wasn't serious.

So, if you have a couple of drinks, don't drive. Either you're going to do it, or you're going to be smart enough not to. You don't try to hurt or kill someone, but when you drink and drive, you do. If you learn how to stumble gracefully after drinking, then you don't hurt anyone.

Try to be a statistic, a statistic that shows more responsible drinking and fewer senseless accidents.

Quizing you on the things that America cares about

No one passed last week's quiz, so step it up.

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

Last week's quiz tested you, the common people, on what our great nation seemed to be caring about at that moment in time. This week it's more of the same. Come on, people. Let's see those brain cells.

1. Recently, the contents of the President's iPod were released, and America cares because:

(a) who doesn't love The Knack's "My Sharona?"
(b) what he's listening to isn't as scary as his Social Security plan.
(c) thinking of the President pirating MP3s is strangely reassuring.
(d) calling his iPod the "First iPod" is just weird.

2. Conclave is over. Benedict XVI, the new Pope, was elected when white smoke rose from the Sistine Chapel's chimney. America cares because:

(a) Dan Brown. His novel "Angels and Demons" made conclave more exciting than an episode of "24."
(b) Jean-Louis Tauran. The 62-year-old was considered too young. There goes early retirement.
(c) Francis Arinze. Holy crap! The new pope could have been Black. (It'd be the first time since the 5th Century.)
(d) Johnny Damon is a Jesus look-a-like and should have been the new Pope.

3. The problem of steroids in baseball has caught America's attention. We care because:

(a) the youth of America should have good role models like Barry Bonds. Somebody has to teach kids how to whine.
(b) Bud Selig is a freaky looking guy, and he's the one telling us steroids are bad?
(c) and I quote "Liar Liar", "But I'm Jose Conseco!"
(d) Mark McGuire used to be our hero. He still is. But he used to be, too.

4. America continues it's love affair with not quite intelligent blondes this week. "The Simple Life: Interns" will be airing on Fox, and America cares because:

(a) there's something about Pari.
(b) we like to see someone with a lower IQ than the average American make it big in the world. It gives us hope.
(c) it's more engaging than Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner's engagement. (Pun intended.)
(d) cause guys just want one night in Paris.

It's global warming, start worrying

Tim Krueger
News Editor

After my previous column regarding fossil fuel use, I received a number of emails telling me that I was wrong about our energy needs; there are other sources of energy that will be able to be used and curbing consumption will not be necessary when "alternative" fuels become mainstream. This is a common idea, but a common misconception.

Our earth has two potential sources of energy for us, that which is stored within material in the earth and that which comes from the sun.

Currently, almost all energy we use has come from the sun, in the form of the stored potential energy of fossil fuels, which are created from decayed organic material. All life is dependent on the sun for sustenance, whether directly through photosynthesis or indirectly through eating other life that relied on photosynthesis.

Many people believe that hydrogen will be the future fuel for transportation. While it does have viable options for being used in cars, it is not a fuel source. Hydrogen is created for fuel use by electrolysis of water, a heavily energy-intensive process of passing electrical current through water to separate the hydrogen and oxygen molecules.

Basic laws of physics state that energy cannot be created or destroyed, only moved to a different state. This means that creating hydrogen only turns electrical energy into potential energy stored within hydrogen, much as fossil fuels are today.

However, this still does not reduce our problem of fossil fuel consumption, as our primary source of energy for generating electricity is still fossil fuels.

Aside from crude oil, our other main fossil fuel is coal. While oil is dwindling fast, even the most conservative estimates claim two to three hundred years of supply left.

However, supply is no longer our problem. If we do lose crude oil, we will be forced as a society to depend on electricity for creation of hydrogen and other fuels, hence we would burn more coal.

The problem with burning more coal is that through photosynthesis (all fossil fuel energy comes from the sun), carbon dioxide is consumed by plants from the atmosphere and stored within the plant. When we burn fossil fuels, this carbon dioxide is released back into the atmosphere.

Carbon dioxide in the atmosphere creates the greenhouse effect that we all should know something about. The greenhouse effect is actually a good thing, without keeping energy from the sun trapped within our atmosphere; the earth would quickly assume the properties of the moon with severe temperature differences. It is this effect that keeps earth in a safe operating temperature for life.

However, if we continue to release all this carbon dioxide that has been stored in fossil plant matter for millions of years, we will effectively place all of the collective carbon dioxide processed by plants back into the atmosphere in too short of a period, making this greenhouse effect stronger.

This in turn gives us the greenhouse effect that is taught to us in science class, where too much heat energy is kept within the atmosphere and begins to change the weather patterns of the earth.

My point is that no matter how you look at the energy needs we face currently and in the future, curbing consumption is the only true solution. There will be plenty of short-term solutions and other ideas that will carry us through, but they alone will create other problems. There is no feasible way to continue the voracious consumption that we are currently experiencing and a complete reform of the way we live and use energy is needed to turn our problems around.

In addition to reducing problems regarding fuel reserves and the earth, a variety of societal problems also rest on the rabid consumption of current times. More on those later, but do yourself a favor, get out your bike and ride it. Leave your car parked unless you absolutely need it. The earth will thank you and you will thank yourself.

I leave you with the lyrics from "Imagine" by John Lennon. Remember, this world is possible; you just have to get off your butt and work for it.

Imagine there's no heaven,
It's easy if you try,
No hell below us,
Above us only sky,
Imagine all the people
living for today...

Imagine there's no countries,
It isn't hard to do,
Nothing to kill or die for,
No religion too,
Imagine all the people
living life in peace...

Imagine no possesions,
I wonder if you can,
No need for greed or hunger,
A brotherhood of man,
Imagine all the people
Sharing all the world...

You may say I'm a dreamer,
but I'm not the only one,
I hope some day you'll join us,
And the world will live as one.

Happy Earth Day 2005!

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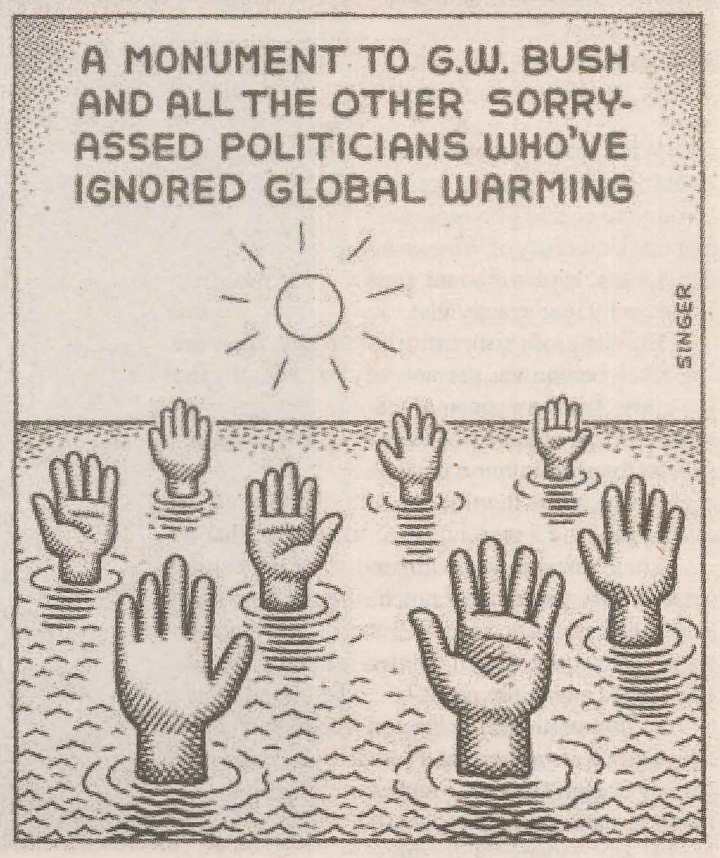


Greeks deserve as much respect as everyone else

Tony Spencer
Columnist

In the 1960s the hippy movement spread the values of acceptance, unity and peace. Since then we have only gone further down that road, making steps towards social peace amongst all cultures and communities. By this day and age we are more open to all cultures and creeds. This movement has saved lives, helped people become successful who normally wouldn't have and helped some people attend college that never could.

UW-Stout has its hand in the movement with organizations such as the Black Student Union, Out at Stout, Breaking Boundaries, Hmong Stout Student Association, etc. Organizations like these allow for people of all cultures, creeds and lifestyles to come here and learn and socialize without fear of prejudice. For a new student coming here it would seem as if UW-Stout is a model of the essence of this new movement toward "P.C." But amongst this communal feeling of acceptance, one prejudice, which stretches from administration, to professors, to students and even as far out as the community of Menomonie, goes overlooked.

The prejudice against Greeks on this campus and in this town parallels the prejudices felt by others throughout history. The domino effect, grape-vine phenomenon and media sway people's opinions of Greeks without concern.

Someone sees one person wearing Greek letters doing something objectionable and then views that one person as the absolute representative for the entire sub-community. Or a girl gets raped at some fraternity in Texas, leading to unwavering beliefs that fraternity houses are dangerous, when in actuality, they are some of the safest places to hang out for various social gatherings.

The truth of the matter is that if so much as one raping were to occur, the organization in question would no longer exist. Some of the Greek organizations at UW-Stout have been here for nearly a century. Several levels of sanctions on both the school and the higher authorities of the fraternity exist to prevent things like this and protect the members of the fraternity, their friends and acquaintances.

One specific example can be found in the halls and classrooms at UW-Stout. Cory Volkening, a junior and a proud brother of Phi Sigma Phi had a class in the fall of 2004 where he experienced first-hand, Greek prejudice from a professor.

"My professor video taped us on the first day," said Cory, a multimedia design major. "I was wearing my letters the day he taped us and after that I felt like I was treated subordinately."

Many students attending this class report an outspoken distaste for the Greek community on this campus. This professor is known for regularly making comments against Greeks during lectures and makes little effort to hide his feelings. Volkening completed all the required course work and did well at it; however, he still received a failing grade, although he produced comparable work to his other friends and brothers in class who didn't advertise their Greek status.

Attitudes like this are not uncommon. There are a number of questions that rise which help fuel false truths about Greeks that go without truthful answers. "Why should my school fees go to support Greek organizations when I don't benefit from them?" As it were, Greeks don't receive any funding from the university. All Greeks are self-sufficient, using dues and various fundraisers to garner financial support. The only benefits received from the school itself are use of rooms and other simple benefits common amongst all student organizations.

"I heard fraternities have little respect for women." In actuality, the fraternities on this campus have put forth substantial effort towards supporting women's rights. There are fraternities here that regularly work with the Bridge to Hope domestic abuse shelter. Others host talks raising awareness about violence against women and one fraternity at UW-Stout even accepts interested females to become members.

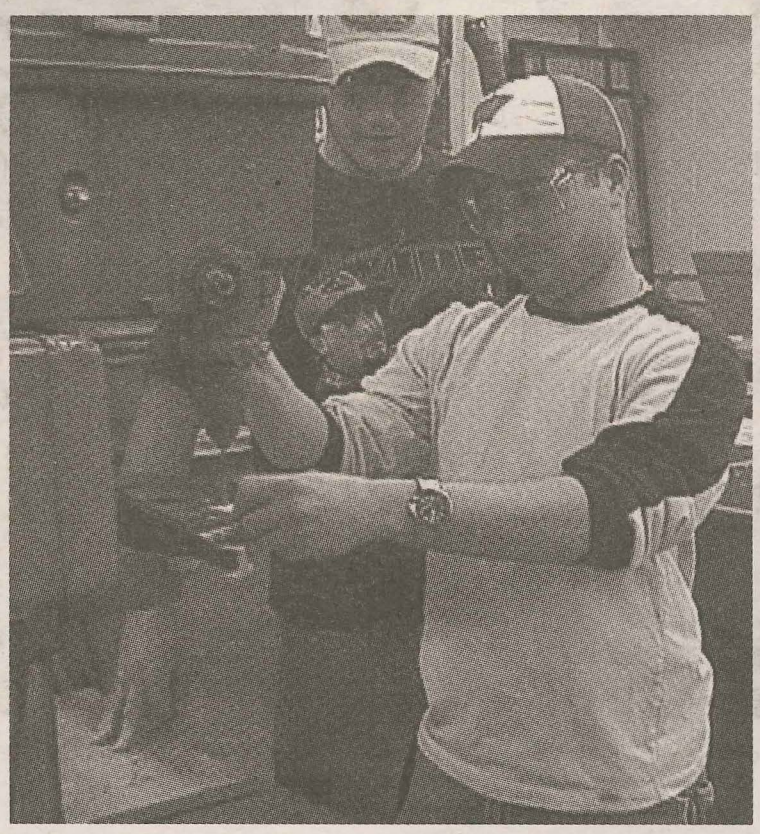
"Joining a fraternity? Isn't that like paying for your friends?" True, to be a member of a fraternity one has to pay dues. However, one must realize that these dues go to support various things for the fraternity such as supporting the chapter house and other insurance related issues. Dues are also relatively cheap. A party loving student can easily spend the amount of some fraternity dues in weekend.

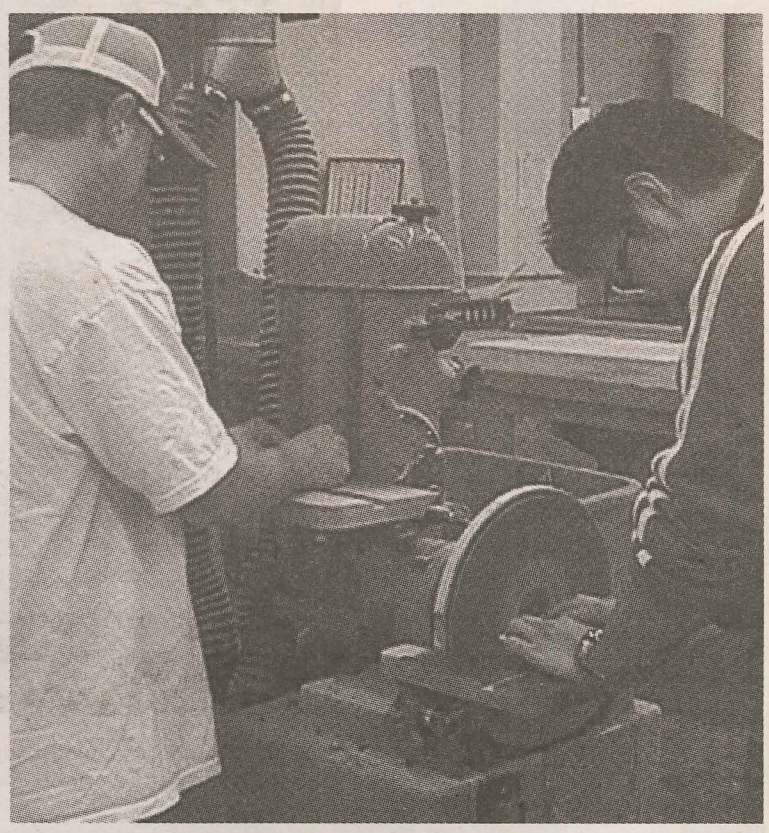
An inquisitive natured mind can easily acquire answers to any possible questions that may arise concerning a particular minority group. This intuitiveness can also aid in dispelling any myths and ugly rumors circulating perhaps, a misunderstood group of people.

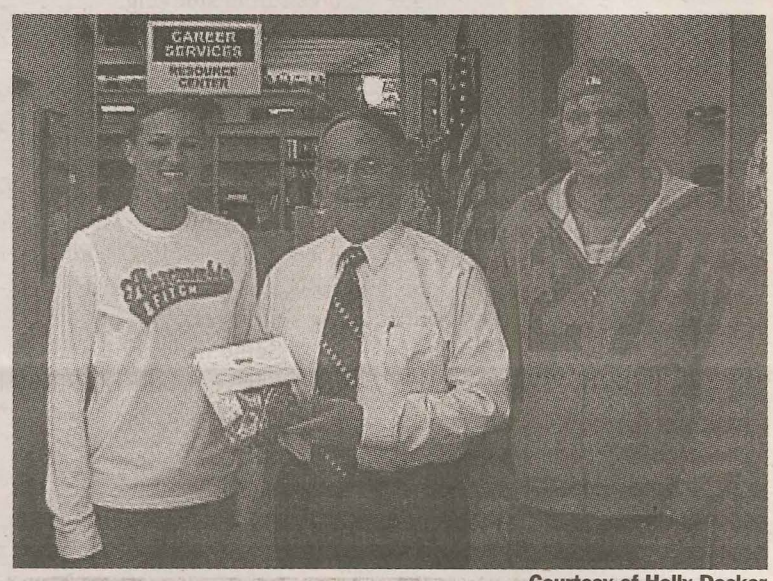
Knowledge and tolerance are the ways of the world today and all people are considered equal on the playing field of life. Besides, if the word Greek were replaced with Black, Jew, Gay, etc. would the problem be so easy to overlook?

Key chains make wishes come true

By Marta Peters
Student Life Writer







Courtesy of Holly Decker
Industry Enterprise Practicum, a business course at UW-Stout, requires students to create a profitable business system.

Who knew college credits could actually provide money during the course of a semester? For one University of Wisconsin-Stout class, hard work and great minds are doing exactly that.

But the profit isn't the driving force behind the purpose of the class. Among a group of students that may not be rich themselves, the goal in mind is much more important than it could ever appear to be on a syllabus.

The class is Industry Enterprise Practicum and its purpose is for the students to cooperatively create a business system that makes a tangible profit.

In this particular endeavor, the students are making and selling key chains. While it could be easily assumed that the students pocket the money themselves, the truth of the matter is that all of the money made from the key chain sales is going to the local Make-A-Wish Foundation.

"The Wish Chains for Charity idea came up in our research and development phase of our Industry Enterprise Practicum class," said Chad Kingsbury, a senior in general business administration. "We decided that we wanted to do something to put a positive light on the class and our goal to sell a successful product. After kicking the idea around for awhile, we decided to donate the money from key chains being made to a charity."

It may sound like a simple, straightforward idea, but the reality is that the Wish Chains for Charity project entails all aspects of creating a corporation that sells a profitable product. A tremendous amount of hard work goes into the current success of the project.

"The object of the class is to have and orchestrate a successful business," said Holly Decker, a junior in general business administration.

For example, the key chains are each made by the participants taking the class with the supplies being provided by Mills' Fleet Farm. Community involvement doesn't stop there.

Many local businesses are taking part in selling the key chains in their stores.

"We have received a great deal of support from people on campus and the community. Local businesses such as Rose of Sharon Christian Bookstore, Appearances and Wal-mart have made great efforts to help with our goal," said Kingsbury. "It has been impressive to see so many people help us with our goals."

In addition to businesses helping to sell the wish chains, many are also contributing in other ways as the semester draws to a close.

"We are in the final stages of completing a funds match

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Duffenbach proposes laptop program changes

By Grace Sanfilippo
Student Life Writer

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*
Adam Duffenbach, the 2005-2006 SSA president, encourages students to voice their opinions about campus issues.

Did you vote? I don't mean for the president of the United States. I'm talking about voting for the Stout Student Association (SSA) president.

What you may not realize is that although the president of SSA may not seem like a person who may directly have an impact on your life, he or she will. That individual may actually affect your life more than the president of the United States does.

How is this possible? The president of SSA directly influences decisions regarding tuition, the laptop initiative and campus activities. There were three candidates this year; Joseph Seaton, Jenny Schuh and Adam Duffenbach.

All three candidates should be recognized for the time, energy and talent they invested to run for the presidency. In the end, it was Adam Duffenbach who won the 2005 presidential election. Adam is a senior in service management, actively involved in student organizations on campus and has been involved as an SSA senator.

Duffenbach is from Cadott, Wis. and has also been a residential advisor for two-and-a-half years. He has also worked for University Centers, has been involved in Chi Lambda fraternity and is a member of the Inter-fraternal Council.

"In my experience, I have realized the importance of being involved in organizations, volunteer and service learning activities," said Duffenbach. "I feel I am an excellent resource for any Stout student to come and talk with about nearly every campus-related issue."

Prior to elections, Duffenbach promised, "If elected as president, I will: support and promote the laptop initiative (having all instructors facilitate laptop use in the classroom), maximize the use of campus resources (inform students of resources available for them, expand lab hours), and lastly, I will promote campus wide involvement, leadership and recognition. I feel as if the majority of students were involved, it would better everyone's experience through the flow of ideas and information."

Duffenbach says that his time spent as an RA helped him to define the meaning of time management in his life. This is necessary because now, he is not only a student, but the head of many affairs. Organizing and heading meetings and ensuring that he makes good on his promises is something that will compete with energy spent on all aspects of his life, including school work.

"If I could change one major thing, I would allow students to buy their laptops and upgrade them as needed," said Duffenbach. "I feel Stout is on the right track with the laptop program, although, like anything new, there are still bugs to be worked out."

Upperclassmen who don't have laptops may not think this affects them, but they still can bring any concerns to Duffenbach. If you're thinking, "Not only do I get to watch freshmen and sophomores instant message and play solitaire all class period, now instructors are going to be encouraged to implement more use," maybe you should speak out about it to make change.

This fits right in with campus involvement. Chances are there is something you can do to be involved on campus in some way.

Whether you run for SSA president or help pick up trash on Earth Day, there is something that everyone is capable of. Let's hope that Duffenbach leads us in the right direction and that as students we may be inspired to also use our time, energy and talents towards something that will make a difference.

I wanna bang on the drum all day

By Renee Currington
Student Life Writer

Amanda Rochwite/Stoutonia

The Stout Hand Drumming Club offers free West-African drum lessons on Tuesday nights. They are sponsoring a series of free drum and dance workshops with professional drummer Michael Markus.

On a warm Tuesday night, students on campus can hear energy in the air with the sound of African rhythms performed by a group of serene hand drummers.

Many students never realize there is an official club for hand drummers until the club plays outdoors more often during the spring.

"People hear about the club mostly through word of mouth," said Nelson Linde of Clear Lake, co-founder of the Stout Hand Drumming club.

Cathy Colvin of Menomonie and Linde are long-time drummers who mentor anyone interested in African drumming.

Linde and Colvin started the club in Menomonie five years ago so that students and local citizens could afford drum lessons and have a place to meet. Since then, they have brought in visitors from other towns and cities in the region for special performances, drumming workshops and sometimes dance workshops.

"We hope [the club] will be self-sustained some day" said Colvin. "People come and go."

The club meets Tuesdays in the Glass Lounge in the Merle Price Commons at 7:30 p.m. There are almost always extra Djembe drums to use and participants are welcome to bring other instruments.

Some students who are active in the club consider drumming sessions a time to take a break from studying.

"I like to beat away all my exams" said Nathan Kleist, the club's president. "When I play with the club, it's like being away from campus."

Some of the hand drummers come from as far away as Rice Lake, Colfax and River Falls, and all of them have varying skill levels.

"Some may say it's disruptive to have people of different skill levels playing together," said Linde.

"It's a challenge, but we are open to everyone," said Colvin.

The club also extends their welcome to people with disabilities, who the founders say have attended drumming sessions in previous years.

"Some really took to it well," said Linde. "Some of them were better [drummers] than able-bodied people."

The club urges listeners and by-passers to pull up a chair and grab a drum.

"I was cruising on my lawn board when I first heard them jamming" said Pat Oss, a senior in business who is also part of the Stout bands.

After giving the Djembe drum a try, Oss came back to join more sessions.

"It's fun," said Oss, "You get caught up in it."

Now that the weather is warmer, the Hand Drumming Club will be more visible and audible on campus. They will join Greensense on Earth Day, April 22, on the Applied Arts lawn from 4-5 p.m., to provide entertainment.

The club is also sponsoring a series of free events this month. They have invited Michael Markus, one of the best African drummers born in America, to hold a series of workshops on campus for people of all skill levels. Markus is the founder of Magbana Drum and Dance NYC (http://www.magbana.com).

Markus will offer drumming workshops at Huff's on Friday, April 29, at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 30, at noon. Dance workshops will follow the drumming workshops at the West Gym in the Johnson Fieldhouse on Friday at 8:30 p.m. and Saturday at 2 p.m.

A free drum-building workshop will also be held on Saturday at the Commons from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m., April 30. Workshop attendees can make their own Djembe drums or watch others build drums.

"If you build your own drum, you know how to put it back together if it falls apart," said Linde.

The Hand Drumming club has made several appearances over the past few years. They have performed at the international banquet during international week, at "Food for Peace" events and also for music appreciation classes at UW-Stout.

They have also taken part in UW-Stout's Homecoming parade. One year, they marched with a Samba, a Brazilian drumming band from Madison.

The club also played at the Black Student Union Ball and were pleased to see the audience enjoy themselves.

"It's an honor that you can do something that makes people dance," said Linde.

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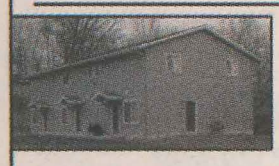

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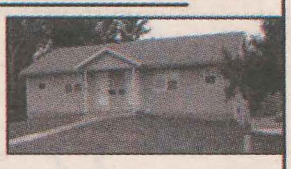

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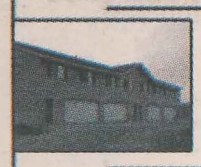

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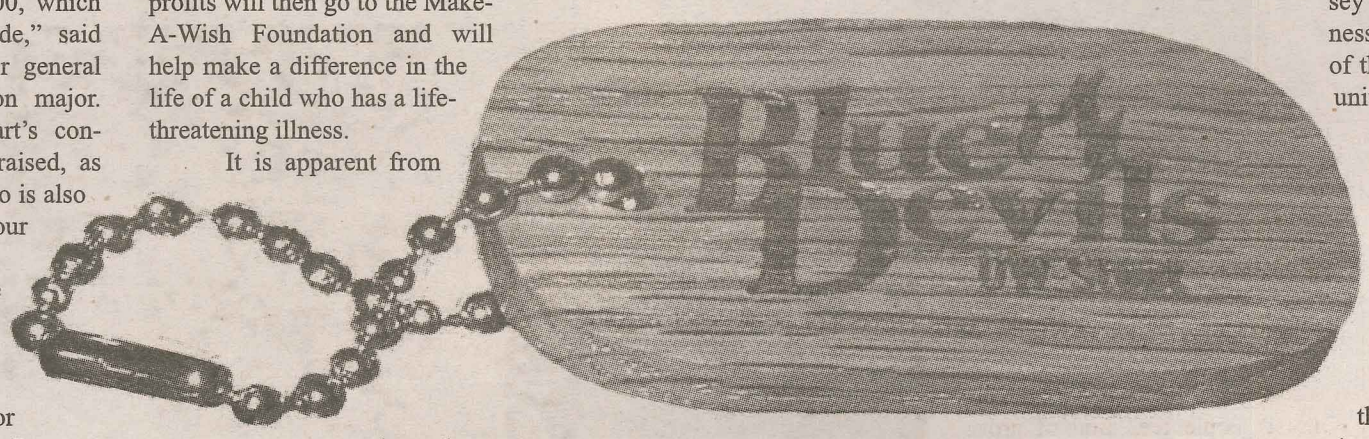
ing campaign with Wal-mart, who is willing to match our funds up to $1,000, which we have already made," said Kory Mortel, a senior general business administration major. "I think that Wal-mart's contribution should be praised, as should Fleet Farm, who is also willing to reimburse our supply expenses."

The sales are made from anyone who gives a minimum of a three dollar donation. In return, the donator receives a wish chain. Because the wish chains are hand made by the class, the chains can be tailored for the purchaser. At the end of the semester, all of the profits will then go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation and will help make a difference in the life of a child who has a life-threatening illness.



It is apparent from the students involved that they are learning far more than they ever imagined they would in the class. The students' perspective on business, charity and people in general have changed dramatically while putting in the hard work that goes with this class.

"I think that it has made me realize that a majority of the Stout community is very willing to help a charity out," said Lindsey Erichsen, a senior in business. "This shows the character of the people involved with this university."

Any questions or custom orders can be emailed to stoutkeychains@hotmail.com.

"We really feel great about what we are doing and I personally believe that everyone in our class deserves recognition for their generosity, as do all of the other organizations and individuals who have helped us out," said Mortel.

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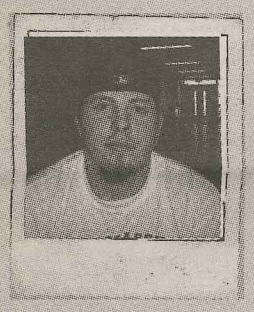

"Billy Bob Thorton, Angelina Jolie..."

Ben Martinelli
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Sophomore

"Hundred dollar bill, because it is the highest amount of money with the word bill in it."

Jake Jungbauer
Business
Freshman

"My brother Bill Maukham. He's cute, sweet, available and loves taking girls dining on Commons cuisine."

Anna Markham
Apparel Design and Development
Sophomore

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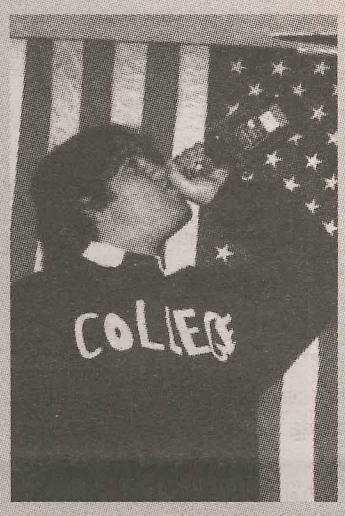

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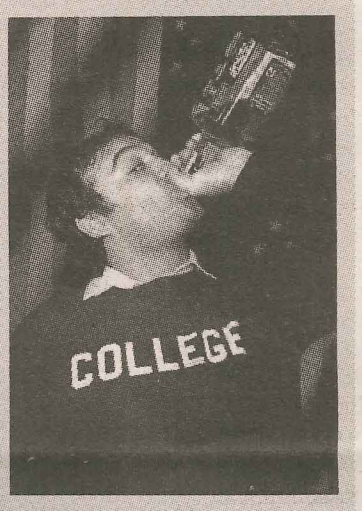

John Belushi
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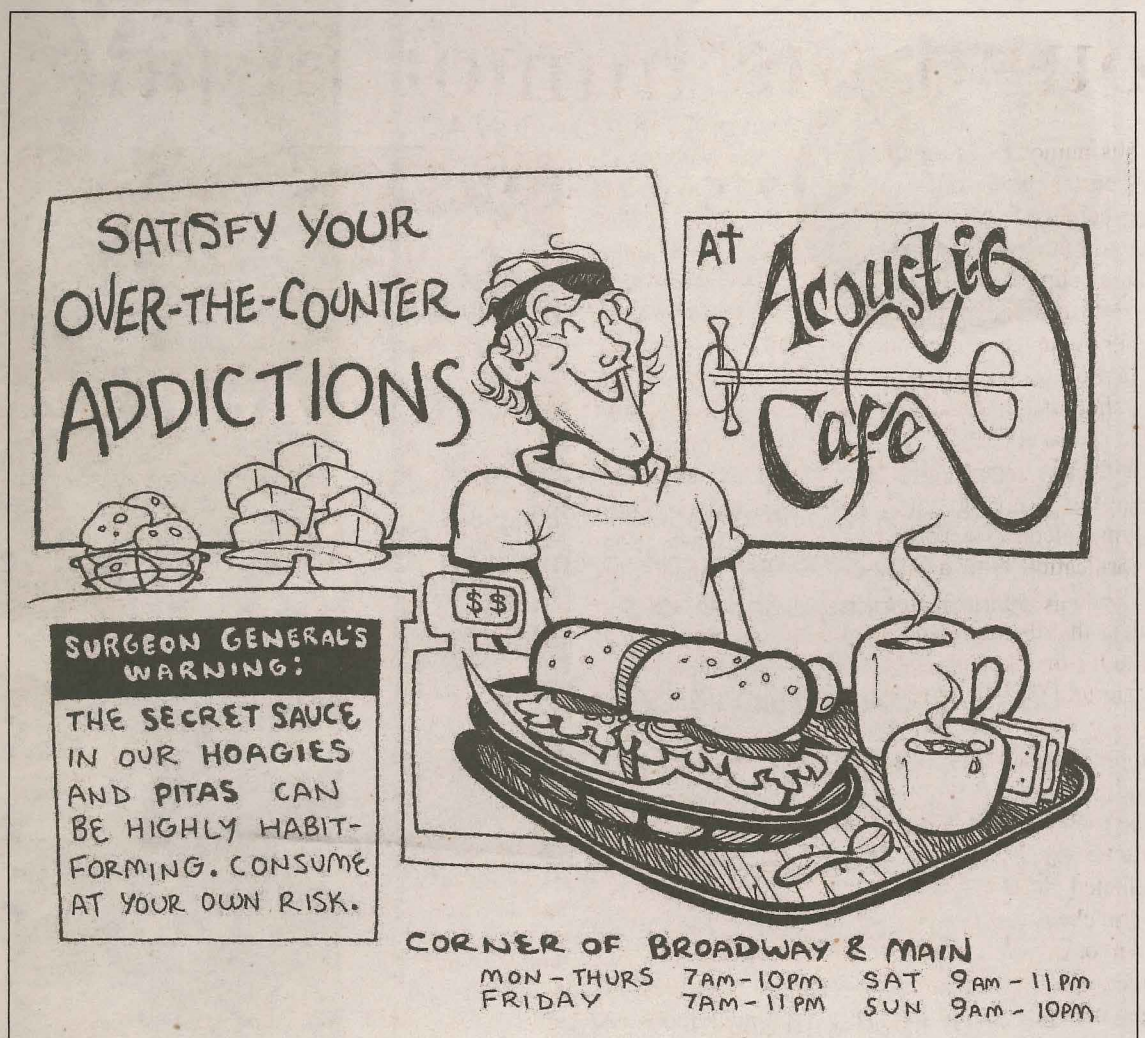
Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us see it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.



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April 21 to April 28

Thursday, April 21
>Thursday Night Out, Rec Center, 8 p.m.
>Music: Soviettes with The Framed, Rec Center, 8 p.m., free.

Friday, April 22
>Earth Day Celebration, Music by Bahookie Jacobs and Merriam, South Lawn by AA, 10:30 a.m. to evening, music at 5 p.m.
>Music: Michael Miles, Acoustic Café, 8 p.m.
>Arts Coming Together Gallery, opening reception, 107 Wilson Ct, behind Wilson Mansion, 6-8 p.m., free.

Saturday, April 23
>Music: Matt Buetow, Acoustic Café, 8 p.m.
>Festival of Nations, St. Paul, Min., Bus departs at 9:30 a.m. in front of Student Center, $10.
>Baseball vs. UW-Oshkosh, Nelson Field, 12 p.m.

Sunday, April 24
>Baseball vs. UW-Oshkosh, Nelson Field, 12 p.m.

Monday, April 25
No events scheduled.

Tuesday, April 26
>Artist-In-Residence Exhibition, Library Learning Center, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27
>Softball vs. UW-Riverfalls, Alumni Field, 5 p.m.

Thursday, April 28
>Open Mic Night, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., free.
>Baseball vs. Northland, Nelson Field, 1 p.m.

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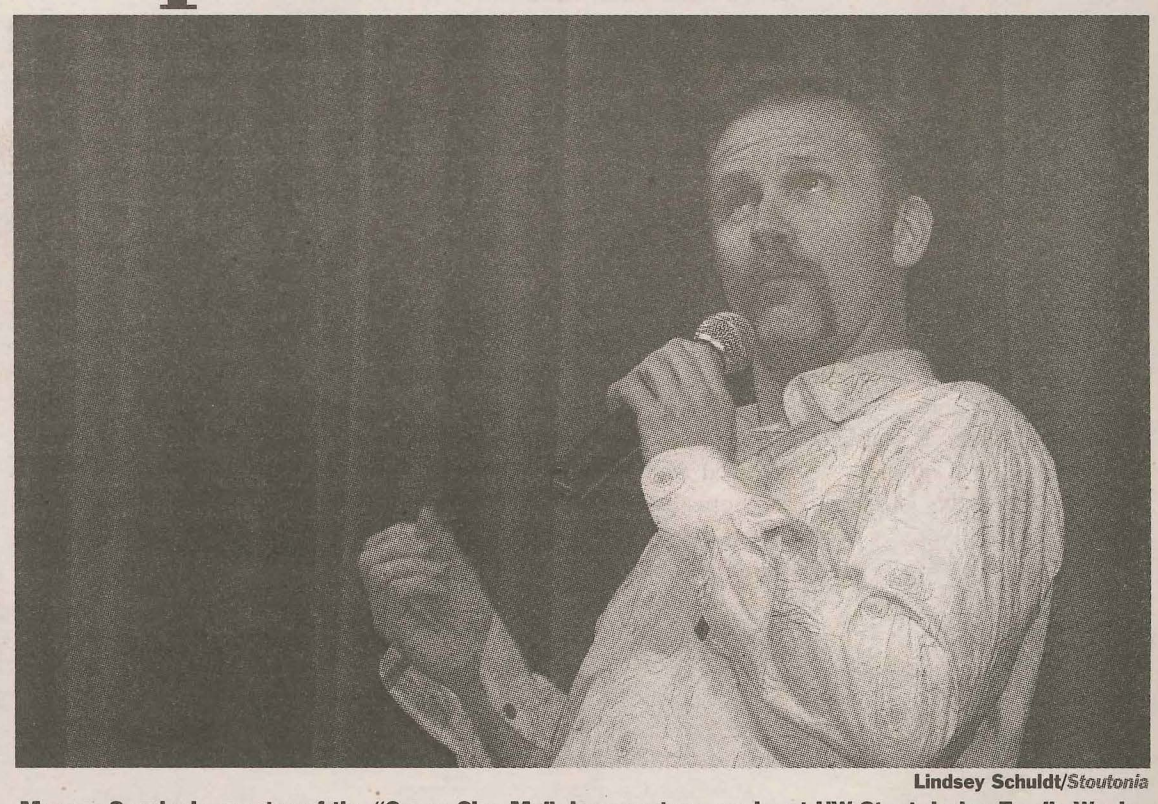

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Morgan Spurlock, creator of the "Super-Size Me" documentary, spoke at UW-Stout during Family Weekend. He spoke of how a single hamburger patty at McDonalds can contain up to 1000 pieces of different cows.

We've all been to McDonald's at some point. After eating there most people feel kind of gross, and for good reason.

Morgan Spurlock, the director of the Oscar nominated documentary, "Super-Size Me," lectured at the University of Wisconsin-Stout on Friday, April 15 in the Great Hall. A showing of the documentary was presented before Spurlock spoke.

There aren't many healthy choices to be made at McDonald's. Some people actually begin their day with the "Deluxe Breakfast," which somehow packs 1220 calories and 60 grams of fat into one greasy meal.

This amounts to 101 percent of an average person's daily allowance of saturated fat. Trying to be healthy? Don't let the word "salad" fool you. A California Cobb chicken salad with ranch dressing has more fat than a Big Mac.

"All McDonald's did was put a big lettuce curtain in front of a big fat stage," said Morgan Spurlock.

Statistically, America is the fattest country in the world, followed by Germany, Britain and Australia. In fact, if Americans' eating habits aren't soon changed, obesity will soon surpass smoking as the nation's number one avoidable cause of death.

One in four Americans visits a fast food restaurant every day. Forty percent of the American diet is takeout, with 60 percent of Americans getting no exercise per day whatsoever.

Depending on their amount of activity, the average person requires around 2,000 calories a day to maintain their ideal weight. The average American consumes 5,000 calories a day.

McDonald's has restaurants in every continent except Antarctica and serves 50 million people per day. Going on a trip? The McDonald's Web site has a "trip planner," complete with maps that can help you locate all the McDonald's along the way.

You could give yourself what Spurlock describes as the "McStomachache, McGurgles, McBrick, McGas and McTwitches" across America if you wanted.

"If you don't make time to care for yourself now, you better make time to be in the hospital later," said Spurlock.

Imagine what you might feel like if you ate McDonald's three times a day for a month straight. Probably pretty McFricken sick. This is what one man, Spurlock, did, and it almost killed him. He captured his finest moments in his film documentary, "Super Size Me."

"Super Size Me" played in the Great Hall as a Parent's Weekend activity. Following the movie, Spurlock made a hilarious appearance answering questions such as, "How did you get the idea for the movie?"

Spurlock's idea came on Thanksgiving 2002.

"I was so full and was watching the news when a story about the two girls suing McDonald's came on the TV. I immediately called Scott [Ambrozy, director of photography] and told him the idea. When he finished laughing, he said, 'That's a really great bad idea.'"

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Spanky found his humor in jail

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

Fidgeting constantly with random humor and appropriately laughing at himself after every funny joke (that was every joke, in case you missed the show), comedian Spanky redeemed Blue Devil Productions' (BDP) comedy series for their final show.

"You gotta find your humor," Spanky repeated between acts. This is a quote by which Spanky has learned to live.

"Plants don't laugh...well, some plants make us laugh," said Spanky, referring to the stoner celebration of April 20, the day on which he performed.

A strange man, with a strange name, Spanky has twice been voted comedian of the year at college campuses.

His humor takes a patterned rollercoaster type tone: raising at the height of debauchery, but when you think you've heard the worst, he slips into a soft spoken nudge off the edge of the line.

For a man who's been through war in Bosnia, an Earthquake in L.A., shot, stabbed and even divorced, he has no fear.

It doesn't take long to realize that this is no lie. With jokes involving alcohol, a parked car and fornication with a pumpkin among others of unspeakable acts, it's clear that there are no boundaries to his first amendment.

He told the crowd at Huff's that they were sick; the ironic twist he repeated after some of the most morally disturbing bits. Maybe that's true for a school in a state he expected to be full of constipated drunks from excess beer and cheese.

An open mind was needed to truly appreciate the humor and insight that graced the air from Spanky.

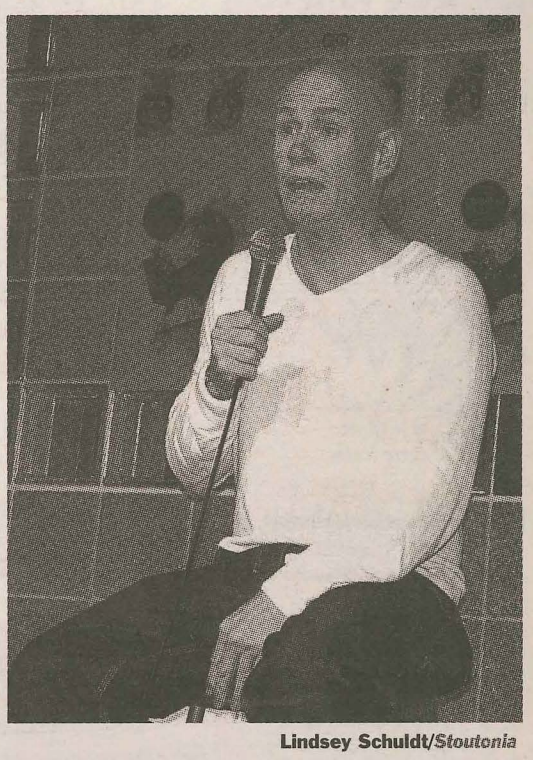
It's clear that students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout opened their minds to Spanky's Texan ways, as the whole crowd was falling out of their seats from laughter the entire evening.

Spanky is by far one of the better comedic talents to grace the UW-Stout campus.

He continued to let fans know that he had probably taken his jokes too far, but it was obvious that Spanky didn't think that his humor was inappropriate.

Spanky had a lot of trouble staying still, sitting still, or really doing anything that didn't involve motion.

It was the hand gestures, facial contortions and high pitched voice that helped the crowd decide Spanky deserved a title of nothing less than hilarious.



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Spanky's humor was rude, crude and uncalled for at times but extremely hilarious the entire time. The crowd enjoyed the show a lot.

This was the last BDP comedy show for the rest of the semester, but not to worry, they have planty of acts for next year that will make you wet your pants.

Guitar picks adorn fashion winner

Tony Spencer
Entertainment Writer

From above, the stage is illuminated by stunningly bright lights. The voice of the announcer, Kurt Bowen, fills the room with tidbits of information about the person and the creation currently making its way down the runway.

Yes, last Saturday, April 16, University of Wisconsin-Stout's design students graced the stage of the Great Hall, showcasing their eye for aesthetics and their ability to create.

The show, whose popularity rises with each passing year, was sold out prior to the opening of the event and no latecomers were admitted.

The audience watched with delight and amusement as designs such as Dr. Darwin, Buffet Style and Take Me Out showed some of the possibilities one can create when pressed to design fashion with no fabric.

The Fashion Without Fabric show is the end result of an assignment that students in the design program are asked to create. Conventional styles and materials are checked at the door. To be in this show one must be inventive and able to let their imagination be their guides.

The show features over a dozen categories, each exploring the expansive themes and inspirations of the hand-crafted attire.

Early on, the group entitled "Classic Fun" gave the audience a feel for the strange style by presenting alternate uses for popular gaming items.

Who knew Monopoly money was good for things other than fantasy capitalism? A dress called "Living the High Life" proved that not only can a hotel on Park Place deplete a friend's bank roll but also makes a nice dress.

The high stakes "Place Your Bets" provides a solution to unlucky gamblers with a habit of loosing their shirt by using the same poker chips that broke the bank to cover the only thing retained after a bad night in the casino.

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(above) As part of the design program, this student decided to make her attire entirely out of movie related objects like movie tickets and candy. (below) Sporting a tennis racket, this student had balls of fun.

The majority of the upstart designers toughed it out and walked the catwalk themselves to show UW-Stout the reflection of their artistic eye. Still others felt the need to employ the aid of a willing model to properly capture the image for which they strove.

"It's great!" said Andrea Schultz, a senior majoring in art education. She was one of the students modeling for the designer.

As more samples of student ingenuity passed under the stage lights, the crowd exploded with cheers and whistles for the most original and entertaining ideas. Suggestive names and satirical designs were commonplace as the nights' events unfolded.

All points on the fashion continuum were represented, ranging from a white trash wedding dress to a cardboard and trash bag camo suit, to a rotating mountain of Chinese takeout packaging.

When all was said and done, "Just Picks," a multi-colored dress made purely from guitar picks had the honor of taking first place.

The night was full of unique ideas that exhibited alternatives to the standard cotton or polyester-based fashions of everyday life. The Fashion Without Fabric showcase magnificently displayed the potential of the hardworking artists that call UW-Stout home.

The only thing that can capture the imagination better than the stylings of this year's show is the unlimited potential of what next year's show might unleash upon the students, faculty and residents of Menomonie and UW-Stout.

Stout Players successfully perform during Family Weekend

Led by Jordan Chabalowski and Dr. Jim Miller, musical "Pippin" displayed extraordinary talent

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

The musical "Pippin" was the most recent theatrical production to come out of the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

"Pippin" is about the son of King Charlemagne and his search for self-fulfillment, his place in life, trying his hand at war, politics, pursuits of the flesh and domesticity.

The format of "Pippin" is unique. The story of Prince Pippin is framed by the spectacle of theater players whose repertoire is supposedly extensive, and they pick the story of Pippin to perform seemingly at random.

They observe Pippin, mock him, influence his decisions and in the end they offer him the chance to truly become "extraordinary." In the end, Pippin must choose between the illusionary world of the players and the simple starkness of reality.

Jordan Chabalowski, who played the title character, brings a multi-layered believability to the role that only he could make look easy. In other hands, Pippin could seem an irritating, spoiled, rich kid whining about the difficulty of finding meaning in life.

Though this is an accurate description of the young prince, it's a credit to Chabalowski that Pippin stays likeable throughout the play.

Pippin's plight stays relevant and sympathetic regardless of the depths to which he sinks.

Arthur Kneeland, who played the Lead Player, narrated the events while leading and misleading Pippin on his journey. Kneeland is quite good. He has charisma to spare, and his energetic performance as ringleader and master of ceremonies is a joy to watch.

Dr. James Miller portrays Charlemagne, Pippin's father, and for the most part he does a good job with it. He's got the regal strut down and delivers every line with crisp authority worthy of a king. The British accent may or may not be a good artistic decision but it more often than not seems appropriate.

Miller also gets one of the show's best lines early in the play.

"Sometimes I wonder if the fornicating I'm getting is worth the fornicating I'm getting," Miller's character grumbles about his young wife's habitual overdrawing of her allowance.

Another of "Pippin's" standout performances is given by Elizabeth Olson as Fastrada, Pippin's scheming stepmother.

With a playfully evil glint in her eye, she steals every scene she's in and, given more stage time, probably would have stolen the show.

Two other actors that deserve honorable mention are Nathan Reed and Michaela Gifford.

Reed plays in drag as Pippin's grandmother, delivering a performance that gets laughs for the right reasons, not just because he's a guy in a dress. It takes talent, and kudos to Reed for getting it right.

Michaela Gifford plays Catherine, a wealthy widow who takes Pippin in when she finds him destitute and depressed on the roadside. The character requires a perfect balance of worldliness and sweetness and Gifford delivers.

The choreography is terrif-

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Gamers compete at TNO

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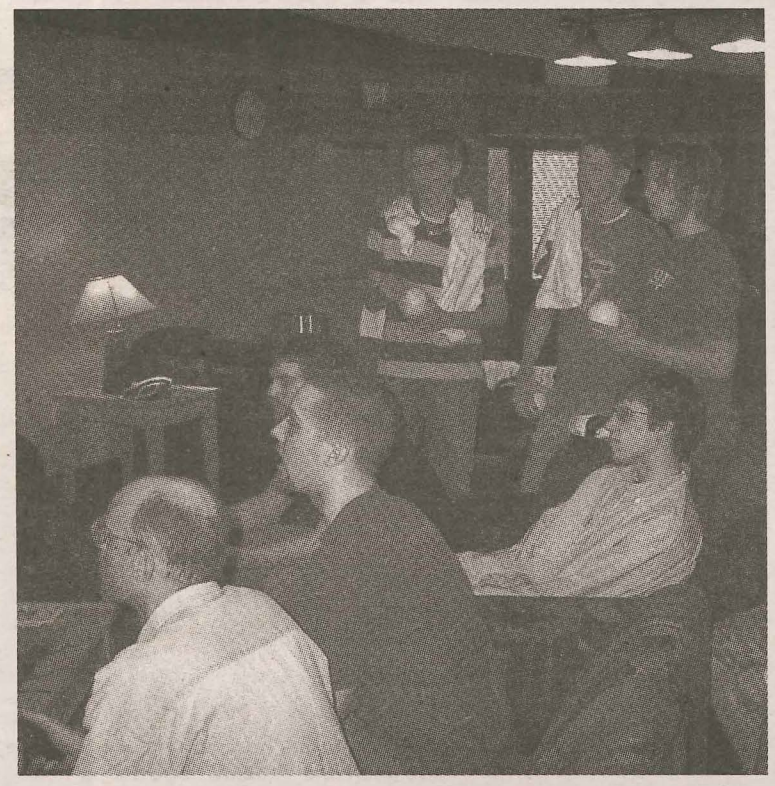

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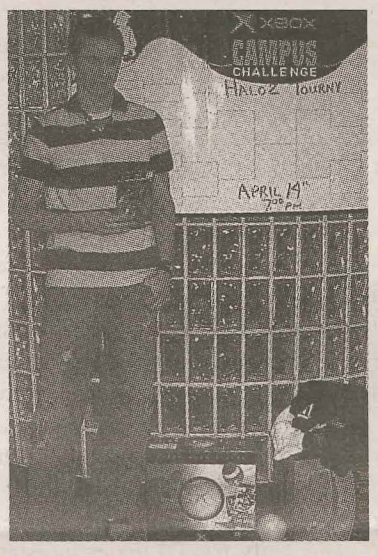
(above) Gamers were very focused on winning the multiple prizes that came with first place. (right) Winner Nick Meurett stands with his accumulation of prizes from the evening.



At last week's Thursday Night Out (TNO), the Intramural sports division at University of Wisconsin-Stout hosted another successful video game tournament. This tournament featured X-box's 2004 game of Halo 2.

"It gives people a way to participate in intramural sports," said Erik Unger, the intramural sports coordinator at UW-Stout. "Sponsors usually dictate which game to run. Many of the sponsors for this tournament are also sponsors of Intramural sports."

This tournament's sponsors included Microsoft, Gold Bond, Bic and Old Spice.

American College Marketing runs sponsorship for events such as these. UW-Stout is one out of 25 schools selected for this type of funding.

Between 6:45 p.m. and 7 p.m., gamers began strolling in the Rec Center to sign up, receive a free t-shirt and mini basketball. In all, around 35 people participated in the tournament. Though not quite as many as last fall's, where 80 people came, it was still a good turnout.

The tournament consisted of four rounds in Halo 2's "Slayer" game: qualifying, quarterfinals, semifinals and championship. Each round lasted either a given time or until a gamer achieved a certain number of kills. To speed things up, the tournament was played on two separate televisions.

The staff set up rules that allowed each gamer to play fairly and accommodated personal configuration. Radar, default weapons and default vehicles were used in all levels throughout the competition.

The quarterfinals, taking place in the Ascension stage, were also a free-for-all between four players. This part of the tournament lasted seven minutes or until 15 kills. Again the winners moved on to the semifinals.

The four semifinalists were Jesus Jaurejue, Tony Lech, Nick Meurett and Jake Fergen. Each of them won a copy of Doom 3 for X-box.

In a one-on-one round on Beaver Creek, the semifinalists either had to get to 15 kills or have the higher kill count in order to proceed to the championship round. Lech and Meurett were the winners and final competitors.

The final round was played on both televisions, a link cable connecting them. The final setting was Midship and the first to 20 kills won the tournament.

In the end, Meurett was the concluding champion. His rewards for winning were a free subscription to X-box Live, a copy of Halo 2 and a MasonWare light/sound system.

"I'm used to playing against a lot better people," said Meurett, a freshman majoring in business administration. This was his first tournament but probably not his last.

For the future, it's more than likely there will be more video game tournaments.

"We hope to continue, perhaps with a new game," said Unger.

The entire event went along smoothly and quickly. Even gamers counted out early in the tournament stayed to enjoy the rest that TNO had to offer.

The time setting for these tournaments is small, and these events also need to adjust according to the intramural sports calendar. However, there is always an X-box available in the Rec Center for open gaming.

Play / *better than ever*

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ic. "Pippin" features one dance number after another, all done in the very sensual, sleek movements characteristic of Bob Fosse (director of the original "Pippin," "Chicago" and "Cabaret"). The Stout Players were graceful, energetic in their movements and sang with confidence.

My favorite dance numbers were "War Is a Science," "Glory," "With You" and the finale. In "War Is a Science," Charlemagne explains his war plans with his troops, and Pippin just can't contain his excitement.

"Glory" is one of the show's more biting and disturbing satires: the Leading Player and a few other players perform a cheerful tap dance number in front of the gore and violence of a raging battle.

"With You" is just a little less uncomfortable, as Pippin discovers the pleasures of the flesh with the Players' help. The surprising and satisfying finale brings the Players' sinister plans for Pippin to a head.

The show's design work is well done. Director Paul Calenberg made it clear that he was going for more of "a modern take" on the material, with less of the seventies sensibilities in production design and a "more contemporary feel." For instance, Charlemagne wears a long leather coat and his court seems like an urban, underground, techno dance club.

The lighting is beautiful and the imagery, particularly with the orgy scene, was done well. I can't say I cared much for the cardboard cutout sunrise, but I guess it's supposed to be a nod to the original 70s production.

Overall, "Pippin" was an energetic, lively and, at times, powerful show. It wasn't just good for nonprofessional theater - it was good period.

Fat / *Supersized people*

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First Spurlock consulted with a cardiologist, gastro-practitioner, exercise physiologist and a dietician. One doctor first described his health as "outstanding."

At 6'2", he weighed 185 pounds, his blood pressure, cholesterol, triglycerides and electrolytes were all at healthy levels. Although the doctors didn't think his idea was exactly genius, they agreed to monitor him for a month. Then the fun began.

Spurlock survived on nothing but McDonald's for an entire month with three simple rules.

The first was no options. He could only eat what was available over the counter, water included. The next rule was no super-sizing unless offered.

The last rule was no excuses. He had to eat every item on the menu at least once.

After only five days, Spurlock had put on nine pounds or five percent of his original body fat.

In one stint, Spurlock was asked if he wanted to "super-size it" and abided by the rule he had set for himself. After 22 minutes of trying to down his super-sized meal, he puked. Spurlock wasn't even done with the meal.

By day 12, Spurlock says the "McCrapShack" was making him "a little McCrazy" and was responsible for his 15 pound gain. Two days later he was warned by his doctors that his liver was in serious trouble.

"You have to stop," said one doctor.

"You're sick. If you start vomiting or your eyes turn yellow, you've got to stop," said another doctor.

Spurlock's vegan girlfriend wasn't impressed either. Their sex life was suffering, and he was constantly tired. He toughed the final days out to complete the month.

His final weight was 210 pounds, a gain of 25 pounds. He had eaten as much McDonald's as dieticians recommend anyone should consume in eight years.

Wondering if you're eating too much McDonald's? McDonald's has defined categories for people. "Heavy users" are people who eat there one to three times per week. A "Super Heavy User" eats McDonald's three or more times a week.

It took Spurlock over five months to lose 20 of the 25 pounds that he gained.

McDonald's response to his smash hit film?

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"What it takes to change things is we can't be complacent anymore," said Spurlock. "The question is, what will you do?"

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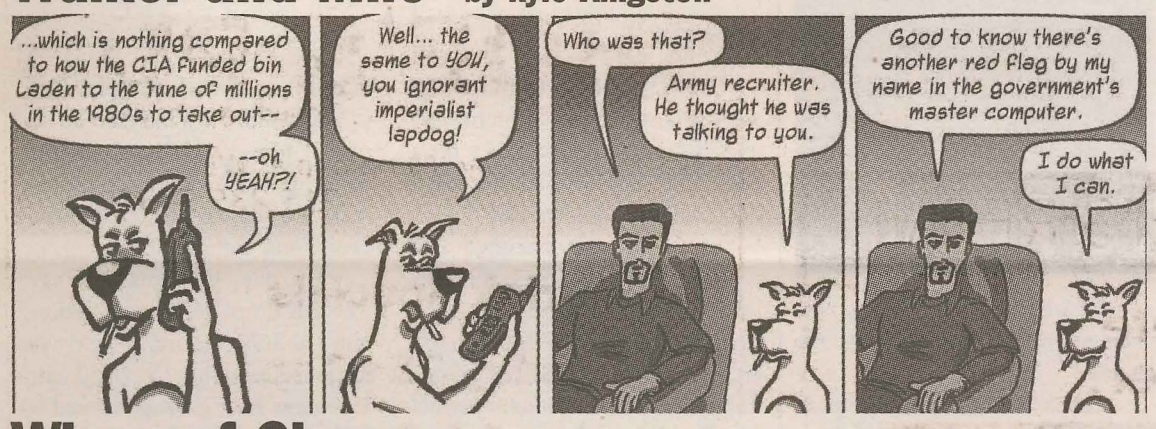

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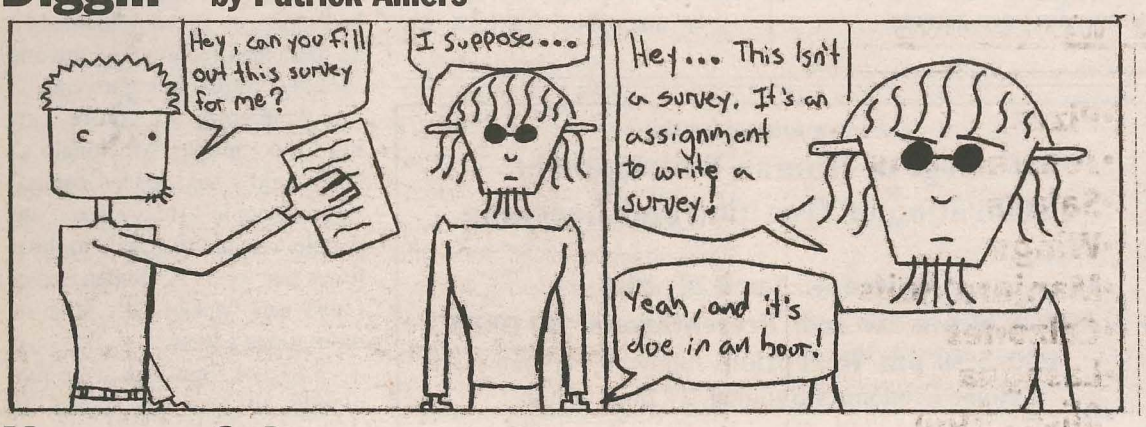

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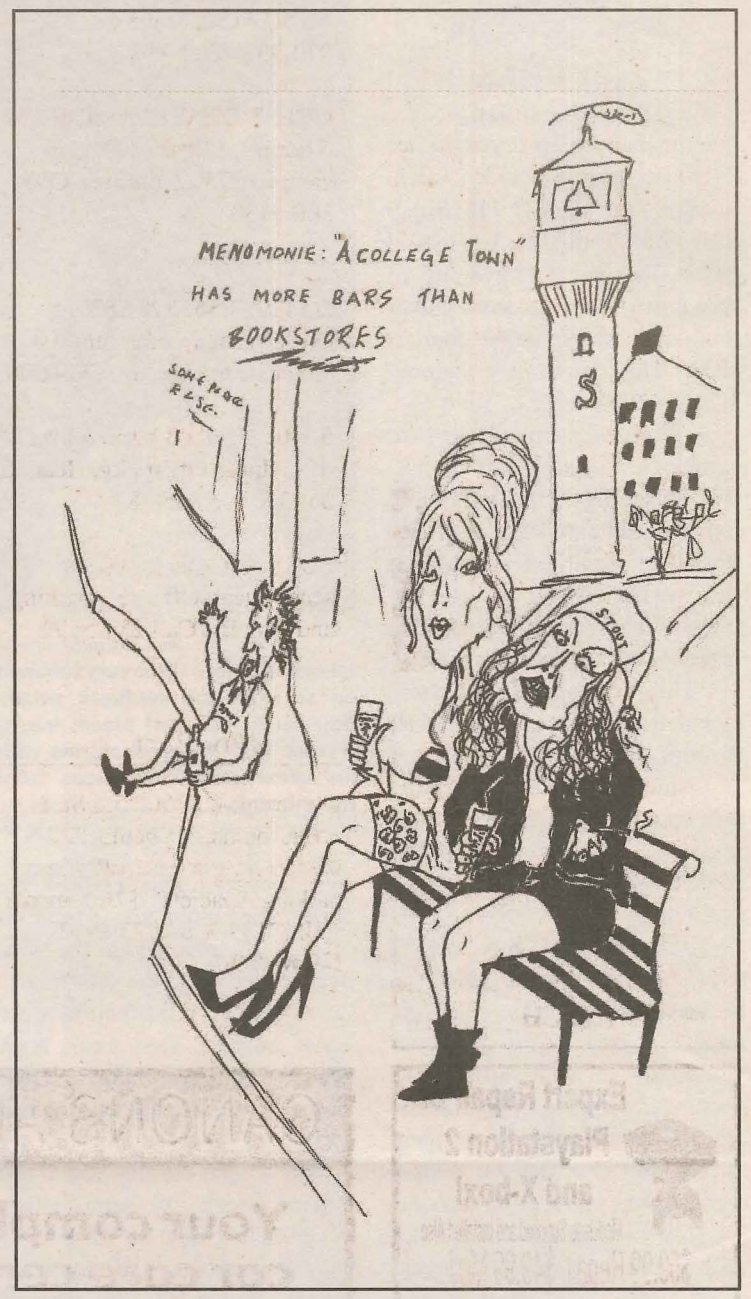

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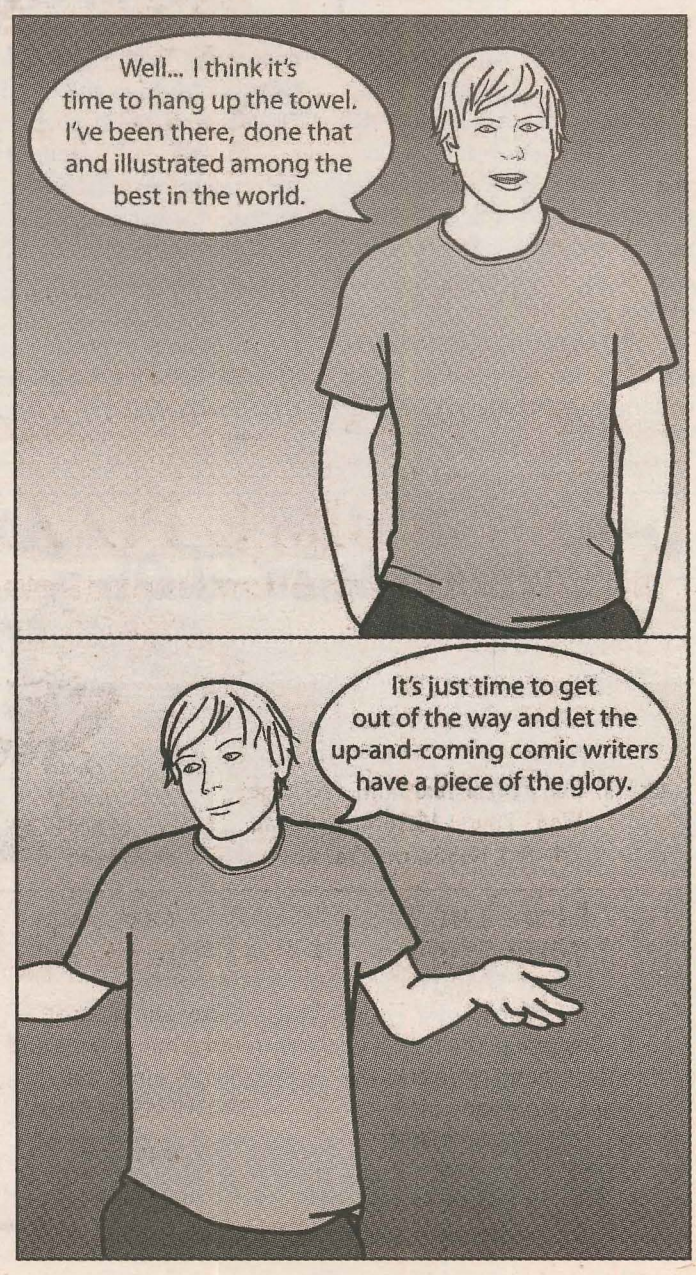

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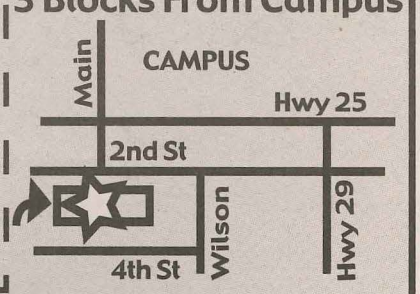

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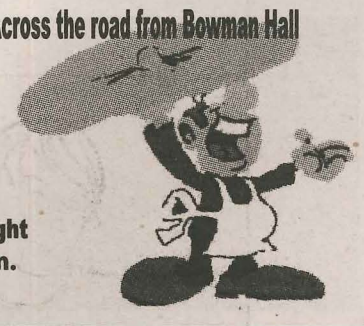
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Track team is striding

By Ashley Erickson
Sports Writer

"Wet."

That was all Matt Delaney said after finishing third in the javelin with a throw of 134 feet, 8 inches.

Last Saturday, the weather may have been rainy for the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's track and field team, but that didn't prevent three participants from finishing second at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire's Blugold Open.

Freshman Jesse Wendt boasted a second place finish in the 100-meter dash, posting a time of 11 seconds.

"The only guy that beat me was from the University of Minnesota," said Wendt. "I even beat the guy who has the fastest time so far in the conference from La Crosse. This was my fastest time of the season so far."

Brett Heimstead finished second in the 3000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9 minutes, 43 seconds.

"I felt like I put in a solid performance, although I thought my time could have been faster," said Heimstead. "I shouldn't have stayed behind the slow Eau Claire runner for so long."

Blue Devil Derek Gonzenbach took second in the 400-meter. His time of 55.5 seconds added another silver to the sophomore's belt.

Overall, the men's track and field team has been doing well. The team has seen improvement from younger runners but is hoping the best is yet to come.

"The team put in a strong performance, despite the weather. I think fast times, long jumps and far throws are ahead of us," said Heimstead. "We are off to a positive start and should be opening some eyes throughout the conference. "

Rain also invaded the Leo Krough Invitational where the UW-Stout women's team competed last Saturday.

The poor conditions couldn't stop the women from succeeding. Senior Laura Verdegan took multiple top spots with a first in the triple jump and also tied for first with teammate Nikki Sims in the long jump.

"I am proud of Nikki for tying for first," said Verdegan. "She is a great long jumper and has the potential to jump even farther."

Ann Schachtner, who took first in the shot put on the April and is ranked sixth in the nation, didn't let the weather stop her from snagging another win this week.

"I still placed first, however I did not improve my mark," said Schachtner. "I was still happy with my performance considering the weather and the fact that we were stiff and chilled to the bone."

Freshman Krista Hasselquist finished right behind Schachtner in the shot put, taking second with a throw of 40 feet, 1/2 inch.

"She moved from spinning to gliding in the shot put and is doing well with that," said Schachtner.

The UW-Stout women have done well in every area throughout the season and have high hopes for many of its veterans and new athletes.

"Our high jumpers Camelle Meyer, Taylor Mayo and Becky Monyhan jumped well at this meet. I think that all three of them had season personal bests," said Verdegan. "Our ladies running the steeplechase also ran well, [Abbey Ring, Rachel Richardson, Carly Mann, Amanda Rau and Emily Dubay]. Kristin Becker had a college personal best in the 200-meter dash.

Another thing the Blue Devil women's track team is hoping for is some warmer temperatures and drier weather in which to compete.

Softball / winning

Softball from 16

in the final game, the team got their bats warm.

The second game was against the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and the Blue Devils upset the Pioneers 8-0.

Freshman Jackie Juan hit a two run double after Kaela Wold hit a double to open the flood gates for UW-Stout.

After the Blue Devils scored six runs off of five hits and with the help of two Pioneer errors, freshman pitcher Andrea Schrader finished the game with 11 strike outs and no walks.

"Our defense is great, and our hitting is coming around too," said senior catcher Jamie Gorges.

With the WIAC cluster tournament over, the team is looking forward to the big rivalry game against the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

"This team has found their potential," said head coach Chris Stainer. Stainer is in her seventh season coaching the UW-Stout team.

The team hopes to reach its ultimate potential with the playoffs just a few weeks away.

"This year there is a lot of competition on the field; at anytime, it's any team's game," said Gorges.

Another reason the team is hoping to peak soon is that this is the last season for O'Connell, Gorges, Novalany and Wold. These four will have to strive in the last part of the season to try to take the team far into the playoffs.

The next three games the Blue Devils play are going to be WIAC games, of which two games will be played in Menomonie.

The team will travel to Eau Claire on April 20 to take on the Blugolds and then will host University of Wisconsin-Superior on April 22 and the University of Wisconsin-River Falls on April 27.

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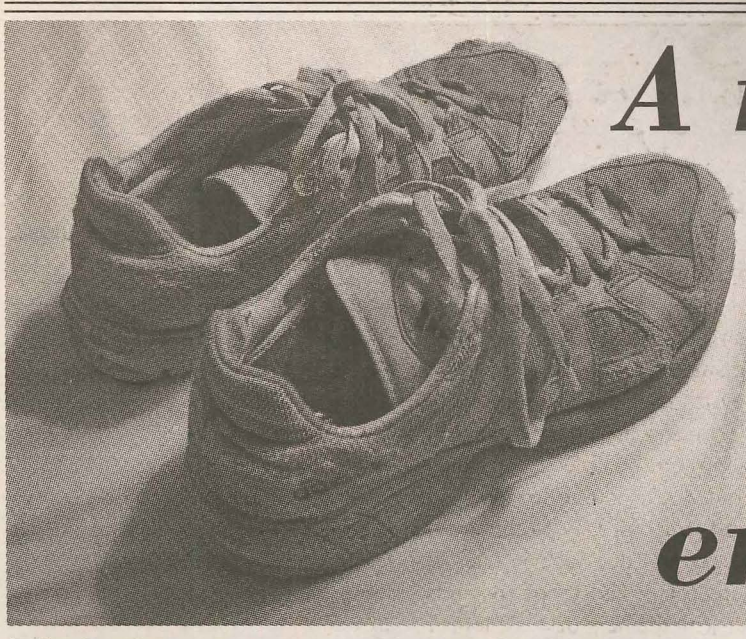

A mile in these shoes... is not enough

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

The running club is now in full swing with the onset of the warm spring weather.

With a marathon training team in its last month of practice before the big race and a regular team with group runs scheduled six days of the week, the club couldn't be busier.

The club will be participating in the Cardio Health 5K next Saturday, April 30, sponsored by Alpha Phi.

The run will be held in Wakanda Park and is free for running club members.

The club hopes to have at least 15 members sign up. The run is also open to anyone interested.

"We are excited to participate in the Cardio Health this weekend because it is not only an opportunity to run but also lets us support another organization on campus," said Jeff Keenan, running club president.

The Cardio Health 5K will also be part of the running club's marathon training program. There have been 15 students training throughout the semester with a goal of running in the Mad City Marathon or Half Marathon on May 29.

The event takes place in Madison, Wis. and is a good opportunity for runners to challenge themselves and take their running to a new, competitive level.

The running club is an alternative to the pressures of varsity teams. Club members run to have a good time, and no one has to compete. There are runners of all abilities in the club, and people are welcome to join the team at anytime.

The club hosts several fun runs during the week. Group runs are currently scheduled for Monday at 7 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday at 6 p.m., Wednesday at 5 p.m., Friday at 2 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m.

The group meets in front of the Sports & Fitness Center before each run. Group leaders do their best to show up for every run.

Plans for the next Blue Devil 5K run/walk are already underway. The second annual event is planned for Homecoming weekend 2005.

The next general meeting will be Tuesday, May 10 at 7 p.m. in the Northwoods Room of the Memorial Student Center. The club always welcomes new members to come to the meetings. Dues are $10 for the semester and include a T-shirt.

For more information on any of the events or the club, contact the team at running@uwstout.edu or visit their Web site at www.running.uwstout.edu.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Catcher Greg Meinertz stayed hot behind the plate and helped the Blue Devil baseball team capture three wins in the last six games as UW-Stout moved up to fourth in the conference rankings.

Meinertz maintained a .462 batting average over the six game run and scored 11 runs and five RBIs.

He also had the long ball in effect with three home runs and two doubles.

On defense, the senior showed his experience by gunning down four runners that tried to steal. Meinertz had more than one hit in four of the six games played in during the week.

His efforts also earned him Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference player of the week.

The Facts:
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Had a .462 batting average in six games and scored 11 runs.

Greg Meinertz
Baseball

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (11-15)

The Blue Devils dropped a 14-0 loss to UW-Whitewater on April 17.

Next Game:
April 23 hosting Oshkosh

Tennis

The Blue Devils were defeated 8-1 by St. Mary's on April 18.

Next Match:
April 30 hosting a triangular. Opponents to be annonced.

Track & Field

On April 23, the Blue Devil women will compete at the St. Olaf Manitou Invite in Northfield, Minn., while the men's team will compete at the Phil Esten Challenge.

Softball (11-14)

On April 17, the Blue Devils defeated UW-Platteville 8-0.

Next Game:
April 20 at Eau Claire

Baseball stealing victories

By Rebecca Oosterhouse
Sports Writer

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

Over the past 12 games, the baseball team has improved their position by winning games against rival conference teams. Seniors such as Greg Meinertz and Todd Brunclik have led the team to victory.

Recently things have been looking up for the University of Wisconsin-Stout baseball team. The Blue Devils have earned wins in eight of their last 12 games.

During a six-game stretch, the team posted a four-game home sweep of the University of Wisconsin-Superior before traveling to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse's North Campus Field on April 13 for a two-game sweep over the Eagles.

Although several players have contributed to the wins, a few key players stood out. With eight home runs so far this season, Tim Nielson is one of these players. Greg Meinertz is also performing very well having scored five home runs, three against UW-La Crosse.

"Tim is expected to hit well and drive in runs because he is a terrific athlete, and our team understands that he is one of our better players," said Head Coach Craig Walter of the junior. "Likewise, Meinertz, Seth Maier, Luke Schultz and Todd Brunclik are all parts of the cornerstone of our team. When the players you expect to do well, do well, team members seem to rally behind them and perform with a little more effort and desire."

This effort and desire, along with Coach Walter's "P6" motto (Perfect Practice Prevents Piss Poor Performance), seems to be working to the team's advantage. Recently, the Blue Devils defeated University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

The team went in with confidence and skill and tried to make things difficult for the Warhawks.

UW-Stout players knew that Warhawks had a terrific team but weren't going to let that impact how they played. According to Coach Walter, the Blue Devils were hitting their stride as they were getting ready for the game and had a lot of confidence in themselves.

"They're undefeated, and if we can't get excited about playing the best team in the country, we better look for something else to do," said Coach Walter about the match-up.

During the first game at Whitewater's Prucha Field, UW-Stout displayed just how excited they really were, defeating the Warhawks 14-4 in seven innings. Unfortunately, the Blue Devils weren't quite able to hold on in the second game and lost 14-13.

Day two proved to be an even tougher ride with UW-Whitewater stealing both games from the Blue Devils 14-0 and 6-3.

With rival UW-Oshkosh up next on the schedule, the team is preparing for an intense series.

The Titans have been chosen as the preseason winner of the 2005 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference baseball championship.

UW-Stout has been predicted to take the fourth place spot, which would allow them to advance to the WIAC Tournament on May 13-14 in Wisconsin Rapids.

The Blue Devils will host the Titans April 23-24. With the majority of UW-Stout's games being played on the road, playing at home may improve the team's record.

"It is hard to travel every weekend and win games. We have to realize that when we travel, we have to play our best to win games," said Greg Meinertz, a senior in technology education. "We play our last home conference doubleheader this weekend against Oshkosh, so hopefully we can take the bull by the horns and win some games."

As far as how the rest of the season will go, the team is optimistic.

"After stealing a win from the Warhawks of Whitewater and our performance throughout the weekend, I feel that it showed our team that we can compete with the best in the country," said Meinertz. "We hope to capture a couple games from Oshkosh then travel to Platteville and go for a sweep. If we play good baseball, I feel we can get into that conference tournament."

Softball team hopes to finish strong

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The Blue Devil women's softball season is just a few weeks from being complete, and the playoffs are not far behind.

The team currently has a record of 11-14, which is decent considering the slow start that they had early in the season.

This past weekend, the Blue Devils traveled to the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh to play in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference cluster tournament.

UW-Stout played four WIAC teams this past weekend but was only able to steal two wins.

On Saturday, the Blue Devils played a double header. Their first game was a low scoring affair, in which UW-Oshkosh scored the only run and hung on for the 1-0 victory.

The team's second and final game on Saturday was against a solid University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point crew.

The Blue Devils' Heather Novalany singled to drive in Beth Lloyd in the fifth inning for the only run of the game as UW-Stout sealed a win.

UW-Stout played strong defense against the Pointers and didn't let a runner past second base, after scoring a run.

Pitcher Megan Donley gave up only four hits against the Pointers and pitched her first shut out game as a Blue Devil.

Day two of the tournament brought on another split for UW-Stout and put the team in the middle of the conference.

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater team shut out the Blue Devils 6-0 in their first game of the day.

The offense continued to sputter for the Blue Devils, but

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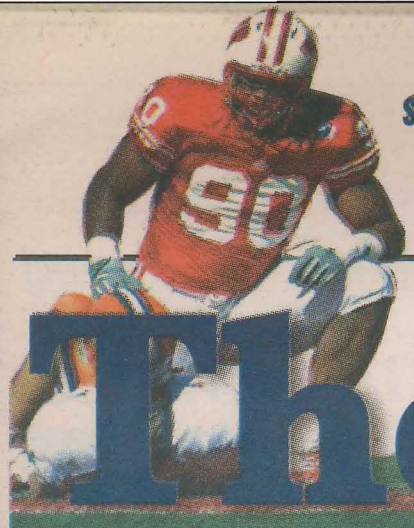
After a slow start to the season, the softball team is just below a .500 record. The team hopes to peak as the playoffs approach.



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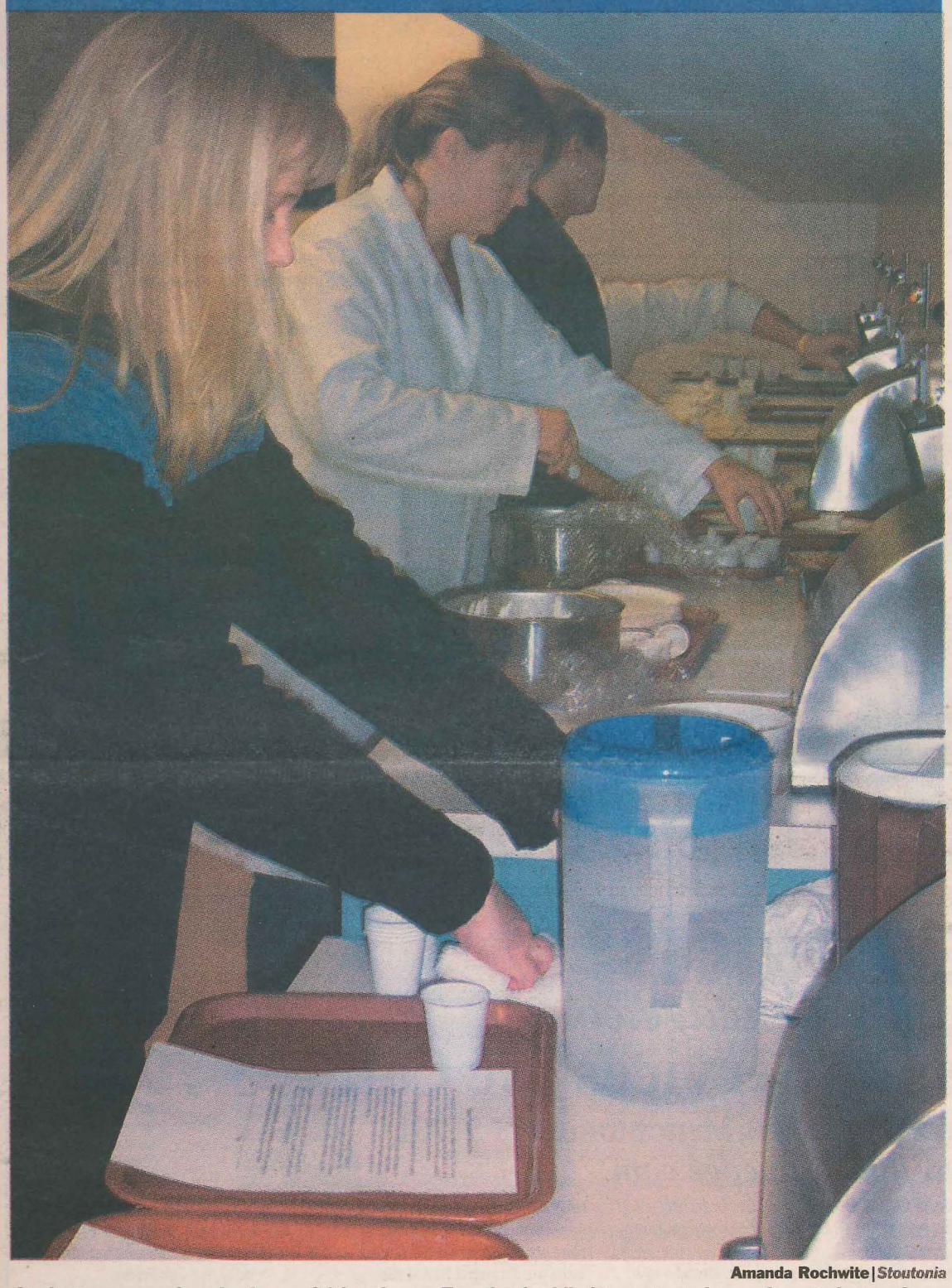

Amanda Rochwite | *Stoutonia*

Students prepare Grandma's special frosting on Tuesday for blind taste tests from other students. A similar event for tasting Jell-O will take place on Thursday.

Fresh failure?

Outcomes for Fresh Success uncertain

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor in training
Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

Remember what the first day of college felt like? There were all of these weird people you had never met, classes where you didn't know anyone in and food that somehow missed the target of mom's home cooked meals: these are the memories most people have of their freshman experience.

Imagine having to go through all of those things, but instead of living in a small room with one other person, you live in the lobby of a residence hall with three other people, no real privacy and nowhere to unpack all of your belongings.

In 2000, this was a scene that many freshman saw because of the over abundance of people living in the residence halls. Since then, the halls have had trouble filling all of their open spaces.

Housing and Residence Life has gone strictly by the Board of Regents rules that states all freshman and sophomores must live on campus, including all transfer students.

Since the University of Wisconsin-Stout took away the enrollment cap that put a limit on the number of students allowed to enroll at UW-Stout, an over abundance of incoming freshman is forcing many upperclassmen to move off campus, and leaving many incoming freshmen without a room of their own to stay in.

Last year, admissions' target goal for incoming freshman was around 1,425. They fell short of this goal reaching only slightly over 1,200 new students. This year, their target jumped to 1,700 and as of Monday, April 25, there were around 1,650 freshmen enrolled. This is according to a three year weighted average formula admissions uses that incorporates the past three years in their current calculations.

Scott Griesbach, director of Housing and Residence Life, said that as of Wednesday, April 27, they had 1,653 freshman contracts signed to live in the residence halls. Since not all freshmen end up living in the residence halls, they figure that their freshmen contracts only represent 91-92 percent of all incoming freshmen. This would put the freshman enrollment up to 1,812, according to their calculations.

The Freshman Year Experience dorms will house 1,468 freshmen. This means that there are around 200 students that will not have rooms.

"UW-Stout has admitted a large number of students for next year, and we are working hard to accommodate them in the First Year Experience Program," said Griesbach.

Since Housing and Residence Life wasn't expecting so many incoming freshmen, they have been doing their best to accommodate all of the students. "It's been an unusual year," said Griesbach.

If there are more freshmen than the First Year Experience dorms can hold, Housing and Residence Life has three solutions right now. These include putting students on the fifth floor of McCalmont Hall, a building currently used for academics, putting some students in North Hall and some students in temporary housing spaces.

Housing and Residence Life will know more mid-summer whether or not all of the freshmen will fit into the First Year Experience Program dorms. The number of contracts might go down due to cancellations from students who decide to not go to school or choose another university.

Rooming situations are not the only concern for UW-Stout right now. Every incoming freshman is required to take English 101 in their first semester. Typically, the English department at UW-Stout takes in 1,300-1,400 students in a semester. In the fall 2005 semester they are expecting 1,800.

The abundance of students means that the English department must hire enough teachers to cover the needs of the new students, without taking away too many of the other classes.

"The administration, from Sorensen on down, are doing

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Regents to visit UW-Stout in May

First meeting held at UW-Stout in nine years

Menomonie, Wis. --- For the first time in nine years, the University of Wisconsin-Stout will be host to the monthly meeting of the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents. The regents will be on campus Thursday and Friday, May 5 and 6. All formal meetings will be in the Memorial Student Center.

Thursday afternoon's committee meetings, scheduled from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., will provide an opportunity for UW-Stout to showcase some of its achievements. The Education Committee will hear a presentation titled "The New Pedagogy: How Learning Occurs at UW-Stout," in Ballrooms B and C.

"Student-Centered Business Services" will be a topic presented to the Business and Finance Committee in Ballroom A.

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee will hear about "Technological Change Through Time," in the Northwoods room.

The full board will meet at 9 a.m., Friday, May 6, in Ballrooms B and C. During this meeting, they will hear about an innovative approach to mathematics education at UW-Stout.

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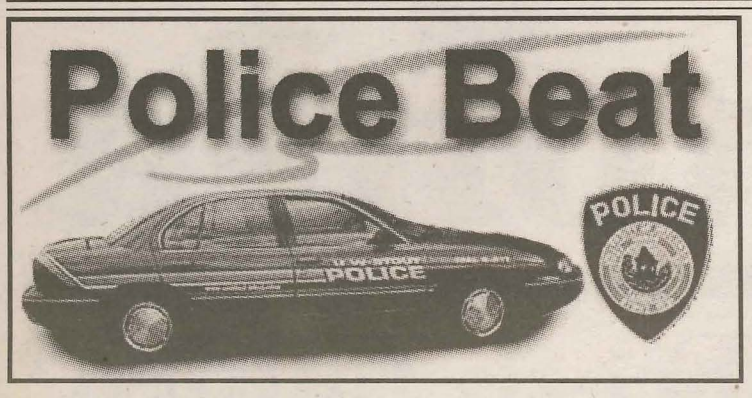

By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Two citations were issued for operating a vehicle off roadways.

Vandals in Lot #4
On Apr. 19, a student reported damage to her 1999 Volkswagon Jetta. An unknown person broke the passenger side mirror off the car and left it hanging on the side of the door. The student used duct tape to repair the mirror until it could be professionally repaired.

More fun in Lot #4
Again on Apr. 19, another student reported damage to her car in Lot #4. The left driver side mirror was ripped off and missing. She noticed several other vehicles with missing or damaged mirrors.

Dont park in Lot #4
On Apr. 22, a student reported damage to his 1998 Honda Civic. Someone had damaged both side mirrors, while the car was parked in Lot #4. The driver's side mirror had been completely broken off.

I buy bikes when I'm drunk too
On Apr. 22, an officer on patrol noticed a subject in Lot #14 by the bike racks near the University Services building. He stated that he was looking to buy his daughter a bike. The man appeared to be intoxicated. He said that he was on his way home from work, saw the bikes and just wanted to take a quick look. The officer advised the man that 3 a.m. is not be the best time to be shopping for a bike. The officer gave the man a ride home.

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their absolute best," said Michael Levy, the chair of the department of English and Philosophy. "But we're reaching our limits as a system."

If they hire full time professors, the department is looking to hire four to five new staff members.

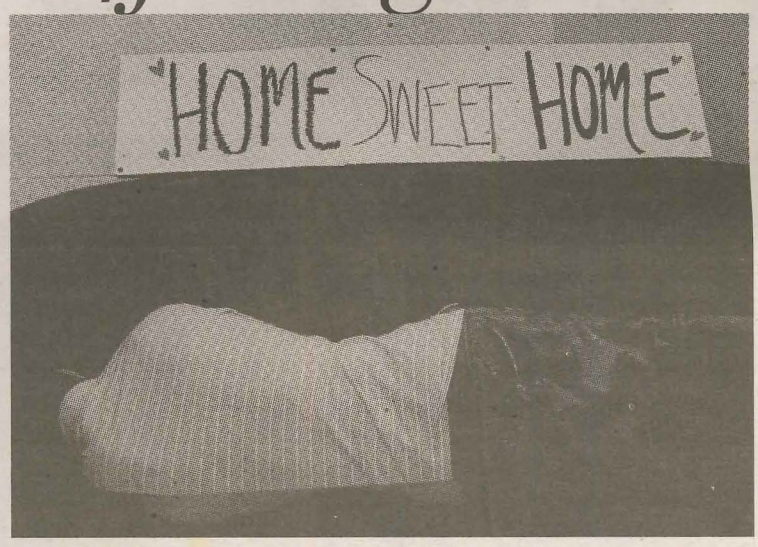
However, UW-Stout only has a certain number of full time equivalent (FTE) positions available to them. Which means they may have to hire teachers to only teach one class, which would not qualify them for any type of FTE.

If this were to happen, the English department would have to hire, at most, 17 new staff members. Levy does not believe this will happen.

"The state of Wisconsin can't afford to spend money on higher education right now because of their focus on lower taxes and prison systems," said Levy. "We're stretched very thin right now."

Levy stated that the newly hired staff will have at least a master's degree in English with a composition specialty. He is not worried about teacher quality, but is concerned that class size and the teacher's load can affect the quality of education received.

"I would like to see the legislation and governor free up enough funds for higher education to make classes small enough to be at maximum teaching capacity," said Levy.



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As experienced in the past, if a housing shortage takes place, students may be located in lounges as temporary housing.

Robert Sedlak, Provost of UW-Stout, agrees with Levy that the quality of education will not be diminished.

"[The amount of incoming freshmen] has been managed better than most people feared," said Sedlak. "The enrollment cap was just a change and change is always difficult; but it hasn't been as traumatic as we thought it would be."

Sedlak is hoping that UW-Stout can use some of the FTEs that other universities aren't using in order to hire more full-time teachers. Although UW-Stout is only given a certain number, it can use "floating" FTEs from other schools.

In order to pay for the new staff that needs to be hired, Sedlak is requesting half a million dollars from the Chancellor's University reserve funds.

"[This money] is an absolutely critical priority," said Sedlak. "My job is to give advance warning so that it's on the agenda. We pay attention to problems and sometimes we can't act right away, but the problems will be taken care of. We're not going to let students hang, ever. We will always find a way to solve these problems. We work to make it all work."

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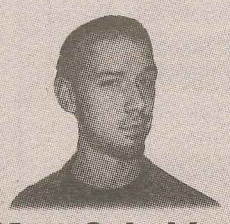
Lookin' for food in all the wrong places



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

This is kind of a different course for me to take. I'm not one to get excited about things, or to take things seriously, but in this case I felt I had to say something. Some of you are already aware of what I'm going to say and some of you aren't. To those that are, I hope that I express myself accurately and represent the issue I'm bringing up truthfully. To those that aren't, I hope you can get behind me.

The issue I've mentioned is a personal one to me, especially because of where I work to earn my keep around here. I'm talking about the issue of the food service change that may take place here at UW-Stout.

To get everyone up to speed, many of the schools in the UW System have institutionalized it's food. This is similar to, if not the same as, food served in prisons. Not all UW schools are using this food service; however, Stout brings in its food from an outside source.

The other UW schools that have self-operated foodservice systems are Platteville, Milwaukee and Madison and this affects them, too.

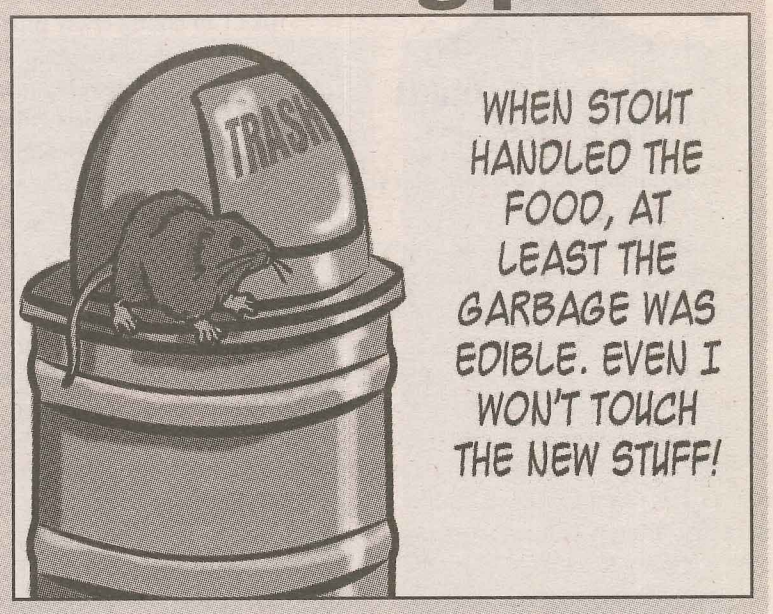
Basically, the powers that be are trying to get all of the UW schools in sync by making them serve this prison food to their students. And you thought the Commons made you sick.

This is a bad idea. I'll just come right out and say it. Also, I'll back it up with facts. This whole consolidation plan was initiated by Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle and its what is called a "spend management" project for the state.

What that entails is consolidation of purchasing certain categories of products statewide and passing on the theoretical savings to the state. One of the first things to be targeted by this initiative is the purchase of food by all state agencies.

See where this is going?

To try to save money the Governor has put our Stout vendor contracts on the chopping block. The people who head up dining services here have been working to try to counteract



the contract because it will end up costing students $350,000 more annually based on current numbers. Not to mention the fact that dining services would have to be restructured to fit the new contract.That is, unless Stout can prove that we receive better cost for products from our current vendors.

The State has hired a consultant, Silver Oak Solutions, to facilitate this whole deal and if Stout can prove that it will receive better cost for products from our current food sources it can get an exemption from the new food contract. The cost of food at Stout has been shared with the consultant, but what happens next is still unclear.

Dining services is doing all they can, so now its up to you. I signed and sent out a postcard to the Governor stating that I did not advocate the change in foodservice. You may have seen those cards around and if you filled one out, then good for you. If you still want to do something about what you have to eat here, then you can send the Governor an e-mail at this website. It's your food and your money. Think about it.

www.wisgov.state.wi.us/contact.asp

Vandalism causes a huge stir

Steve Tietz
Columnist

Torn off mirrors, dented fenders, broken taillights and headlights, scratches and busted windows are all marks of the rising vandalism occurring in campus parking lots.

As I sit staring at the driver side mirror that was once attached to my Honda Civic I wonder what is going through the minds of those who are shamelessly defacing personal property. I can recall a moment in my past when I too was a part of a blissful moment of stupidity; I was 17 when I shattered the back window of Dodge Intrepid with a full Mountain Dew bottle that I launched from a moving vehicle.

I remember thinking that it would be fun and hilarious to see a car get splashed with soda, but when the window shattered and the end result was a $280 citation for destruction to personal property plus the cost of a new window and tint bringing the grand total of my stupidity to just under $1,100; I remember thinking I was possibly the stupidest person on the face of the earth.

Since then I have come to the realization that these acts of vandalism, or in my case intended pranks, are neither fun nor hilarious and are quite costly. I may never find the imbecile responsible for ripping the mirror off my door, cracking the other mirror and scratching my car, but thankfully I do have insurance to cover these stupid acts. My insurance company will correct the wrongs done to my car, but what they can't correct is my opinions of those half-wit wanna be adult vandals.

This recent act of destruction has forced me to raise many questions about the quality of people I dwell with both in my residence hall and in the temporary community of UW-Stout. I now question whether these people have the required intellect to be considered college material.

I would think that one would be able to put behind them certain urges to commit juvenile acts once they enter the realm of higher education. I have been under the assumption that we are here to obtain an education that is befitting of an adult, an adult that will someday be a leader within a community of their own. Of course, I could be wrong and we could all be here to simply have fun and "wang chung tonight."

I'll let you and your conscience decide the correct path the next time you want to bash in mine, or my roommate's car, or one of the several others living on my floor that have had their vehicles maliciously tampered with.

Another concern that has been raised is one of security. I was also under the impression that by parking my car in a well lit campus regulated parking lot, that it would be slightly safer than last year when I parked it on a dark street by Lamers.

Apparently I was wrong because my car has sustained more damage in

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Educators fighting back

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

I haven't been fired; more than one person has asked me that recently, so I want to make it clear. They haven't gotten rid of me, yet.

But there is something that they have gotten rid of and that is Wisconsin history. It's gone, erased and extinguished. Who needs it anyway right?

Actually I'm being a tad melodramatic, Wisconsin history still exists. Just not for much longer because we simply do not have the time for it anymore. Who is this "we"? Well, when I say "we" I am speaking of myself and many other teachers.

We don't have time for it at Tiffany Creek Elementary, which is the Boyceville area elementary school. Why is there no time for it? Because we have so many more important subjects to cover for the standardized tests, that's why!

That's correct, no time for state history because teachers are too busy teaching to the tests of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) act. This is a route they have chosen rather than have the students perform poorly on the tests, and thus, put the very important federal funding at risk.

The Boyceville school district is already suffering from severe budget cuts, so much so that they have dissolved their middle school program for next year. The district would not be able to survive the loss of federal funding from lower than deemed necessary test scores, so certain information just is not being taught. All so they can look good on paper and stay open for the students.

Fortunately, some schools are fighting back. In Texas, the education commissioner has decided that Washington's standards are problematic and is simply ignoring those portions that she deems unfair. The portion she is referring to is the amount of students who can be exempted from these tests.

After stating that more flexibility would be exercised, this number of exempted students was raised to three percent of the total. Texas felt that this was not enough and decided to exempt nine percent of its students, citing that to include students with disabilities and those whose first language is not English would skew the results too much.

This is not the only case of states coming into direct conflict with the administration on this issue. Utah, who voted red in November, is expected to put a bill through its Senate that would put its own state standards above Washington's, thus standing in direct defiance to NCLB.

A third state currently involved in similar business has taken the most drastic route. Connecticut is suing the U.S. Department of Education for not providing the funding to adequately carry out the testing.

I've criticized NCLB in the past many times, how fundamentally it is flawed. Applying NCLB to our nation's schools is akin to Wal-Mart selling only one size of bra and simply telling all women to just make do with it.

If the states succeed, then more will likely follow. Educators have been dealing with shaft for years now, in wages, rights and failing community support. Now that the federal government has taken up office in each and every classroom, the educators are finally fighting back.

Just trying to stop my puffin'

Lindsey Schuldt
Entertainment Editor

To quit smoking, or to not quit smoking, that is the question.

For those of you who see someone smoking and say, "Don't you know that's bad for you?" I would like to take a minute to make you aware of a couple things.

First off, no, smokers are completely unaware of the health risks of cigarettes. In fact, when asked that question the first thing that comes to mind is, "No, really? Since when has this been unhealthy? I'm writing a strongly worded letter to my cigarette company to let them know they better tell people these things are dangerous."

Seriously, as if the coughing and hacking wasn't a bad enough symptom of the negative effects of smoking, perhaps those "Truth" commercials would give smokers some idea of the risks. I get the point they're trying to make, but frankly, it's nothing I didn't know and nothing that scared me away from cigarettes.

So, yes, I do realize that smoking is bad for me. I've only been doing it for a year, but I'd like to think that I've done a damn good job of doing it. I smoke when I wake up, I smoke when I eat, I smoke when I drink, walk, talk, drive, breathe, you know, the typical times and places.

Or I used to.

I'm going on 72 hours completely smoke free and let me tell you, I'm antsy, anxious, grumpy, happy, sad and fidgety, and that's only the emotions I feel on a minute-to-minute basis. In short, I feel like I'm taking crazy pills.

Why did I decide to be a quitter?

I realized that I can barely take the stairs in Harvey Hall without having an asthma attack. Oh yeah, did I mention that I have severe asthma? My regular doctor, who I've been avoiding since I started smoking, once told me if I ever started, I would probably die within the year. Guess I showed her.

Although, whether I'd make it another year smoking as much as I was is questionable.

My quitting desire came when my roommate for next year asked me what it's like to have a craving for a cigarette. I explained it's like anything else you crave. For example, if I think about chocolate too much, I'm bound to go get some.

With cigarettes, if I think about having one, I want one. However, I may have been wrong on that one.

Since quitting, I've realized that it's even more than just thinking about something and wanting to have it. Right around hour 35 after I quit, my hands started physically shaking. I had to start drinking water every time I want a cigarette because then I'm either constantly peeing, or drinking and I don't have time to smoke.

According to http://quitsmoking.about.com, half of long-term smokers will die from tobacco use. I'm not much of a gambler but I never thought my odds were that bad. Okay, so everyone's heard a statistic like that.

How about this: according to the same Web site, smoking can cause cancer of the lungs, larynx, esophagus, mouth and bladder and contributes to cancer of the cervix, pancreas and kidneys plus it is the leading factor in causing heart disease. I'm not sure exactly how many 'vital' organs we have but I think this is saying that cigarettes target every organ that helps you live. Coincidence? I think not.

Now, I know that Canadians are slightly crazy sometimes. I mean, they are foreigners, however, recently I asked a random Canadian man to give me a cigarette. I felt like I was smoking air before I asked him if they were ultra lights.

He told me that in Canada, American cigarettes are illegal because of their nicotine content. You cannot bring American cigarettes over the border and frankly, they don't want to smoke our cigarettes even when they do get across the border.

You're going to do what you want to do. When others I knew were quitting smoking, I thought, "It's their loss."

I guess I just got sick of my clothes smelling, my breath being bad, my lungs turning into black mush and my wallet being empty. It is a dumb decision in at least one aspect. I'm the one who's going to suffer my smoker friends' deaths before they ever get to meet their grandkids.

No journalist ever gets famous without smoking their smoldering cigarette while writing. I guess I missed my chance at fame and fortune.

That's right smokers, I'm the stupid one. I'm keeping my lungs, heart, pancreas, kidneys, bladder, mouth, esophagus, larynx and cervix but gee, if I only had a brain.

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one semester in the campus parking lot than it did in an entire year sitting on the street.

My concern lies within our campus police system, are they too busy writing tickets for underage drinking, busting up parties and sucking down coffee and munching on donuts to occasionally patrol the parking lots? I understand that part of their job description as police officers is to protect and serve, but all I see them doing is serving tickets for violating an antiquated law.

Our system is seriously flawed, I can shoot someone I don't even know in the heat of war, but I can't drink; I pay taxes and tuition, yet police can't patrol and secure the community I reside in: I pay your salary, elect you to office, abide by the rules you have chosen on my behalf, yet the only words of advice for protecting the things I own are, "To simply lock them up."

The doors to my car are locked and it is parked under the lights I provide, the door to my house and my dorm room are locked, but I have failed to see the protection of the very things I entrust to your services. If there is a better alternative to protecting the things I own, then make me aware of it, please. If not, start earning the pay that I help to provide. Those of you who are responsible for these acts of vandalism, I can only speak of my disappointment and I know that someday it will come back on you.

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Strutting their stuff on the runway

By Amy Krause
Student Life Writer

The end of the semester is a couple weeks away, and everyone on campus is a bit more stressed out than usual. The due dates for big projects are coming up, final exams are fast approaching, and for some, graduation is just around the corner.

For the apparel design and development students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, the time is here; the time where the months of hard work, plenty of sleepless nights and hours of dedication pay off. Their payoff is in the form of a fashion show.

Developed by students in the Stout Apparel Society, the Silhouettes Fashion Show is an opportunity for students in the major to showcase their designs. There will be various levels of work featured in the show; everyone from freshmen to senior students had the opportunity to design something.

"We will have many beautiful, fun and interesting pieces, some that truly break design barriers," said Rae Seamans, co-chairperson of the show and a junior in apparel design and development.

Since there are so many different types of designs that will be featured in the show, attendees can look forward to seeing things they haven't seen before, as well as acknowledge the hard work these students put into it.

Most students who will be featured in the show have dedicated themselves to their creations since last semester, some even before then.

"I've been working on my garments and patterns as of last semester around November," said Alexander Nelson, a senior in the apparel design major. "It's been a long haul."

This 'long haul' pays off in the end, with the completion of the show. Brooke Mueller, a junior in the major, agrees.

"The excitement, anticipation, and how much I get to learn about what goes into a show, as well as seeing all of the end products after a very stressful semester is what I look forward to," said Mueller.

The atmosphere of the show will be that of a typical runway fashion show. The energetic music, fun environment and outrageous designs will all be present at this year's Silhouettes Fashion Show.

Not only are students in the apparel design major involved with the show, but there are also various other students on campus who will participate. All models showcasing the designer's garments in the show were found in an open call that took place earlier in the semester.

Jay Fish/*Stoutonia*

The Stout Apparel Society is holding its annual fashion show, Silhouettes, on Saturday, April 30. There will be two shows, one at 1 p.m. and another at 4 p.m. All garments were designed and made by students.

"Almost all of our models are UW-Stout students, so don't be surprised if you see some of your friends strut their stuff!" said Seamans.

Each year the show goes through changes to make it even better than previous shows. Those who have attended the show in past years look forward to the changes this year.

"Every year is different. Different trends, different designers," said Seamans. "It's always very refreshing to see what people come up with each year."

The show will be at two different times on Saturday, April 30. The first show will begin at 1 p.m. and the second at 4 p.m. with an awards ceremony immediately following the four o'clock show.

Ticket prices are $7.00 for students and $10.00 for the general public, and are available at the Service Desk in the Memorial Student Center.

Summer foods perfect for group meals and outdoor parties

Satisfy your guests with these delicious recipes. They would be a great addition to any graduation party or grill-out.

Katie Bader
Columnist

Summer is a time for fresh treats, creative dishes and outdoor cooking. With all the summer holidays, it is easy to find an excuse to create a delicious dish using all the best foods summer has to offer.

There are a number of sweet summer treats using fruits and vegetables that do not require many ingredients. A classic summer food is watermelon.

"I can't wait for watermelon in the summer," said Jason Otto Fredrickson, a senior in human development and family studies.

Fruit pizza is a great summer treat. It is easy to make and allows you to show your creativity with how you decorate the pizza. The next time you're hosting a barbecue, try this treat for dessert. This recipe serves 10 and takes 20 minutes to make.

Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

This isn't your ordinary pizza. Fruit pizza is a dessert that is easy to make and is a perfect follow-up to a hot meal or a hotter day.

Fruit Pizza

1 (18 ounce) pack refrigerated sugar cookie dough
1 (8 ounce) pack strawberry cream cheese, softened
1 cup powdered sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
3 cups variety of fruit (kiwi, strawberries, blueberries, bananas, black berries)

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

2. On an ungreased medium baking sheet, smooth the refrigerated cookie dough into a single layer around 1/4 inch thick.

3. Bake in preheated oven 10 minutes, or until edges are lightly browned and center is no longer doughy. Let cool.

4. Meanwhile, in a medium-sized bowl, mix the cream cheese, powdered sugar and vanilla until smooth.

5. When crust is cool, spread the mixture over the baked crust. Decorate with chopped fruits.

6. Store in the refrigerator before serving.

***Tip: Don't use low fat or no fat cream cheese because it will become runny.*

Some of the most popular summer meals are made on the grill. Outdoor cooking is perfect when serving a group of people.

"I really like steak on the grill," said Joe Regan, graduate student in technical education.

There are many different cuts of beef in the grocery store, so it can be hard to choose a type of beef for your meal.

The beef flank is usually known as a steak; the chuck is cut from the chest region and is used in pot roasts. There are also rump roasts, which are used in pot roasts also. Sirloin is cut from the back region and is used in steaks and roasts. For this steak recipe, the loin is recommended. The loin is cut from the back region and is very tender.

Here is a simple recipe for steak on the grill, with an easy ranch dipping sauce.

Grilled Seasoned Steak Strips

2 tsp. garlic salt
2 tsp. seasoned salt
2 tsp. seasoned pepper
4 New York strip steaks

1. In small bowl, combine garlic salt, seasoned salt and seasoned pepper, and mix well.

2. Sprinkle the seasoning mixture on each side of steak and press into the steak.

3. Grill steaks over medium-high heat until done.

Ranch Dipping Sauce

1/2 cup steak sauce
1/4 cup Ranch dressing

1. In a small bowl, combine steak sauce and ranch dressing, and mix well.

2. Keep refrigerated until serving.

Cinco de Mayo, a Mexican holiday, is on its way; Thursday, May 5. To many Stout students, Cinco de Mayo is a day to throw a Mexican fiesta. For any fiesta, fajitas, tacos, enchiladas and all the fixings are a must.

Here is a simple enchilada recipe that is easy and tasty to make. It uses only five ingredients and takes about 30 minutes.

Cheese Enchiladas

1 (8 ounce) container sour cream
6 ounce shredded Monterey Jack cheese
1 (10 ounce) can green or red enchilada sauce
9 (6 inch) tortillas
1 (2 ounce) can chopped black olives (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

2. In a small bowl, combine the sour cream and 4 oz of the cheese.

3. Into a 9x13 inch pan, pour a small amount of enchilada sauce to coat bottom of pan.

4. Fold the tortillas onto bottom of pan. Layer 1/2 of cheese-sour cream mixture and 1/2 of the olives over the tortillas.

5. Pour the remaining enchilada sauce and olives over the final layer of tortillas.

6. Bake for 20 minutes and serve.

***If you like, add cooked chicken or browned ground beef before you add the cheese and sour cream to the tortillas.*

Photo pros speak on variety of topics

By Stephanie Deshler
Student Life Writer

Courtesy of http://www.braingiants.com/photo/photography.html
Charles Miller is a photographer and designer (see above Web site) who will speak at UW-Stout on May 9. Also speaking will be Aaron Doering, who applies photography to teaching young children about geography.

Many organizations on campus choose to sponsor and organize events for their members; however, the University of Wisconsin-Stout Photography Club has chosen to sponsor an event that is applicable to all majors on campus.

On May 9, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. two photographers will be speaking in room 201 of Millennium Hall. Charles Miller and Aaron Doering have chosen to present their photography in alternative ways.

"Aaron Doering applies his knowledge of photography as an interactive way to teach school age children about geography and wildlife," said Zach Kolden, the Photography Club's treasurer. "I think it would be great for early childhood students to come learn about alternative teaching methods."

The Photography Club isn't just targeting early childhood students and people interested in photography; the presentation is open to the entire community.

"We chose these two speakers based on their location, cost and appeal to students of all majors and community members," said Michelle Davis, the president of the Photography Club.

The Photography Club hopes that Charles Miller will also attract a diverse crowd. Miller is an award-winning interactive designer and has experience in web application, Flash integration and usability analysis. They hope the attraction to Miller's presentation will go beyond art and design majors and touch those in telecommunication, computer programming and technical communication.

Doering, on the other hand, is an associate professor at the University of Minnesota in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

Prior to teaching at the university level, he taught middle and high school social studies and took students to more than 17 countries, in order to study physical and cultural geography.

Doering will be presenting on his six month trip across the Arctic and delivered an adventure learning program to millions of children worldwide via the Internet. His 2,100 mile trip was documented over the Internet so children could track his progress daily.

"I hope that these presentations will inspire people to do and learn new things," said Kolden. "I want people to get tips and apply knowledge they learn to their work or photography."

The Photography Club had planned to sponsor speakers before, but never had the finances or networks with local photographers. Pete Schlosser, a faculty member of the Photography Department, knew both from working at the University of Minnesota and suggested their names to the Photography Club.

"Because Aaron Doering isn't a professional photographer, I feel like he can really show students what a non-professional can do," said Davis.

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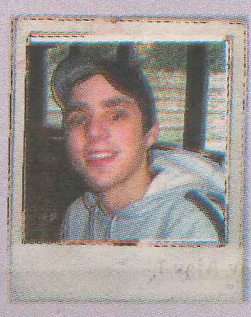
What picture would you hide in a magic eye poster, and why?

"Elvis because he has very good features and distinct hair."
Nancy Novotney
Early Childhood
Senior



"Me because it would be cool to see me in a magic eye poster."
Andy Martin
Engineering Technology
Freshman

"A computer hard drive because Stout students lose their files when they come into ASK 5000."
Megan Jette
Graphic Design
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"A big middle finger because it would be a wonderful surprise."
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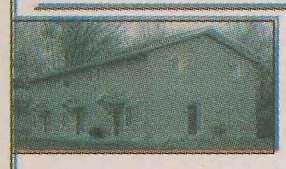

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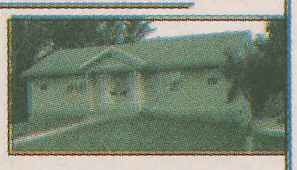

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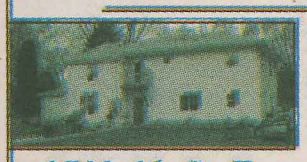

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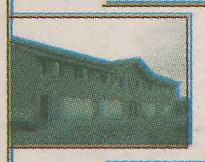

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>**Jazz and Ban Concert,** Huff's 7 p.m., free.
>**Baseball vs** Northland, Nelson Field, 1 p.m.

Friday, April 29
>**10th Annual Golf Scramble,** Chippewa Valley Golf Club, 3 p.m., $15 students.

>**Passive Obsessive,** gallery closing ceremony, Student Gallery AA 209, 6-9 p.m.

Saturday, April 30
>**Silhouettes,** Great Hall, 1 and 4 p.m., $7 students.
>**Chi Lambda Annual Milk Party,** 1120 6th St E., 12 p.m. to whenever.

Sunday, May 1
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Monday, May 2
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Wednesday, May 4
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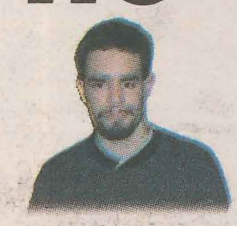

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

Blue Devil Productions had its biggest audience turnout of the semester for last Thursday's punk rock concert featuring the Soviettes and opening act Framed. Both bands shared the virtues of high energy, little pretension and a commitment to loud music. In other words, it was an eardrum-splitting good time.

Like all good punk rock, the music is raw and the lyrics are just a part of the mix. There are words, you can see their lips moving and sort of hear their voices, but the words aren't important.

The night started out slowly. Framed was about halfway through their act as people started to fill the room. Even so, Framed managed to raise the energy level with each new song, belting out a sound reminiscent of the Clash while joking with each other and with the audience between songs.

Gradually, some of the audience abandoned their chairs and couches to occupy the floor in front of the stage.

As this happened, I noticed a small group of high school kids that looked like they were on their way to a costume party.

A couple of them barely seemed past puberty, yet had all the fashion trappings usually associated with punk rock enthusiasts: a spiked mohawk, flannel, leather, studs, spandex, bowler hats, body piercings and painted fingernails. They danced wildly in front of the stage, shoving and slamming into each other.

My first reaction was amusement, and then I wondered if the student center had security. But then I realized that these kids had brought exactly the right kind of attitude to the show.

Their wild abandon was an example to the rest of us stick-in-the-muds too comfortable in our chairs, leaning against walls or shooting pool.

Punk rock exists for people to forget about civilized behavior. While I still had trouble taking these kids seriously, they had the right idea. The rest of us who were too self-conscious to leave our comfort zones were the ones out of place, not them.

Though unprepared and disorganized, Framed is a good band with the ability to work a room. They had no trouble accomplishing their task of warming up the crowd for when the Soviettes finally took the stage.

The Soviettes have been accurately described by the Utne Reader as, "the Ramones cross-bred with the Go-Gos."

They have also been praised by Punk Planet for "bringing the pop with a good, Euro-feeling bite to it."

The band was formed by its three female members in the winter of 2000. Since breaking onto the punk scene, they've released a self-titled album and have gone on a nationwide tour.

Aside from a few announced covers of U2, the Soviettes performed original music. Starting with a call to the audience to stand and dance, which a third of the room actually heeded, the Soviettes had a night of raw, straightforward music. Though on the surface unrefined they performed with competence and polish.

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

(above top) Framed combines a solid punk rock sound with laid-back attitude. (above) The Soviettes, described as "the Ramones cross-bred with the Go-Gos," are scheduled to go on their second nationwide tour later this year.

This concert was one of the better musical acts BDP has brought to campus. For more on the Soviettes, check out their website at http://www.thesoviettes.net.

Next generation of gaming is at hand

Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

Sometimes it's hard to tell a rumor from the truth, especially concerning the next generation of gaming systems: Microsoft 360, Nintendo Revolution and Sony Playstation 3.

Questions fly concerning backwards compatibility, processor speeds, graphics cards and who's using what and why.

Thankfully, there are several articles out there that define clearly what is known and what isn't.

Here's what 1UP.COM (http://www.1up.com) has confirmed.

For the Playstation 3 (PS3), it is definite that the processor will be the Cell processor. The Cell, developed jointly by IBM, Sony and Toshiba, is said to be more than ten times as powerful as the latest PC processors.

While the Cell's power is purely speculation at this point, we will find out if they are doing more than blowing smoke at us come the E3Expo in May.

The format for PS3 games will be the new Blu-Ray format, a candidate to replace DVDs that can hold about six times the information of a DVD. The PS3 will still play DVDs though.

Nvidia will support PS3 in terms of supplying the graphics card. It's confirmed that the console will be shown at this year's E3, but whether a playable console will be available or not is unknown.

XBox 360 has been announced as the official name of Microsoft's upcoming console. While the original XBox failed in sales everywhere except the US and Europe, this new generation could pose an opportunity for redemption.

XBox 360 will take advantage of high definition (HD). ATI will provide Microsoft with the graphics card.

There is also solid talk about two versions of XBox 360, a regular and premium edition. The premium edition is backwards compatible and includes a built-in version of Microsoft WebTV and a hard disk.

About as confirmed as the two-console release is the notion that the XBox 360 will use only DVD format.

Nintendo Revolution (NR) is still a code name. At this time, Nintendo has promised that it will be backwards compatible with Gamecube games.

Nintendo has also confirmed that the Revolution will have an online gaming focus, and will include Wi-Fi connection features. Online services will be free.

Both XBox 360 and NR will be using an IBM processor, but different than PS3's Cell. The processor for the XBox 360 is based off of the Mac G5 processor.

Little else about the systems is officially known. What isn't known are the final system designs or the final release dates.

As a general rule, don't trust a gaming article unless it is from an authorized source. Gamefaqs and that dude that your friend knows are not authorized sources.

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It has been confirmed that the PS3 will have a Cell processor.

Tune in for season and series finales

Jessica Boe
Entertainment Writer

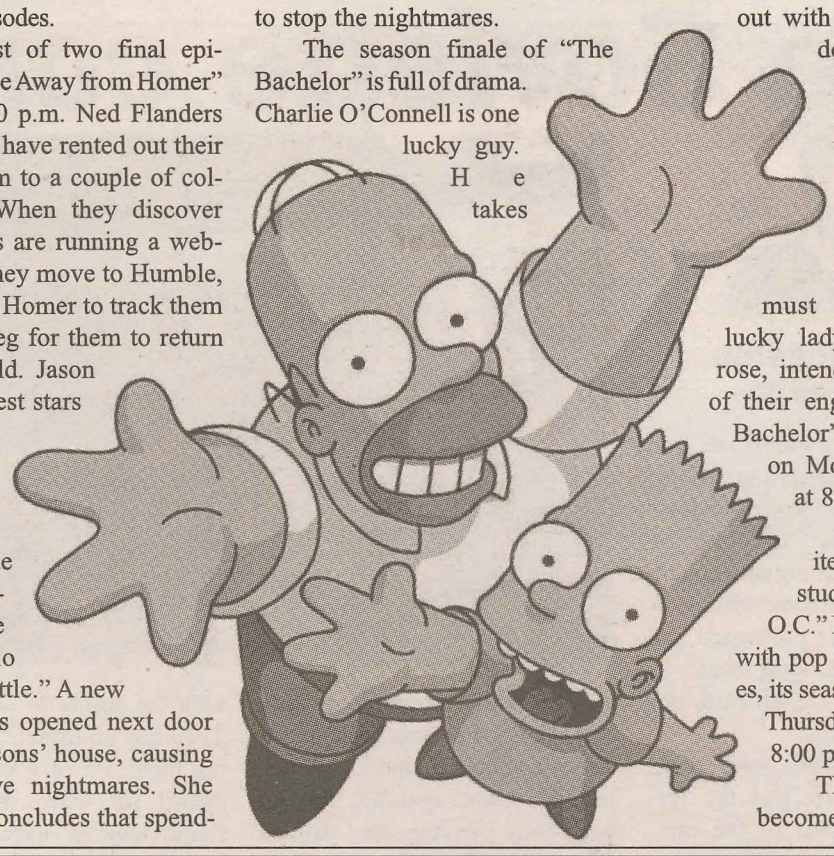
It's that time of year when things get crazy. Classes are stressful, the weather is starting to resemble the beginning of summer and all you want to do is skip class, sit outside and hang out with your friends.

If you're lucky enough to have the time to watch television, there are a lot of TV shows to choose from, especially since series finales are coming up.

First on the list is FOX's "The Simpsons," which airs its series finale on Sunday, May 15. The longest running comedy series in U.S. TV history next to "Saturday Night Live" finally comes to an end after over 350 episodes.

The first of two final episodes, "Home Away from Homer" starts at 8:00 p.m. Ned Flanders and his sons have rented out their campus room to a couple of college girls. When they discover that the girls are running a webcam there, they move to Humble, Pa., only for Homer to track them down and beg for them to return to Springfield. Jason Bateman guest stars as himself.

At 8:30 p.m., a second episode begins entitled, "The Girl Who Slept Too Little." A new cemetery has opened next door to the Simpsons' house, causing Lisa to have nightmares. She eventually concludes that spending a night there is the only way to stop the nightmares.



The season finale of "The Bachelor" is full of drama. Charlie O'Connell is one lucky guy. He takes multiple girls on dates, makes out with them and then decides by giving out roses who gets to stay in the New York apartment and who has to go home. In the end, Charlie must choose one lucky lady for the final rose, intended as the start of their engagement. "The Bachelor" airs on ABC on Monday, May 16, at 8:00 p.m.

A new favorite among college students is "The O.C." Filled to the brim with pop culture references, its season finale airs on Thursday, May 19, at 8:00 p.m. on FOX.

The 40s have become the new 30s, and the "Desperate Housewives" cast is living proof of this phenomonon. The main characters, Edie Brit, Gabrielle Solis, Bree Van De Kamp, Susan Mayer and Lynette Scavo are searching to find out if one of their girlfriends really committed suicide, or if there is more to her death than meets the eye. The season finale airs on ABC on Sunday, May 22, at 9:00 p.m., with the season finale of "Grey's Anatomy" immediately following.

Have you fallen for "American Idol"? Don't miss their two-hour season finale on Wednesday, May 25, at 8:00 p.m. on FOX. Over 100,000 people entered the competition thinking that they have what it takes to be the next "American Idol." Now, each week, contestants are voted upon by America. Numbers are provided during the show so that you too may vote for your favorite.

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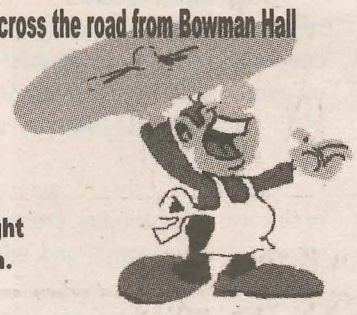

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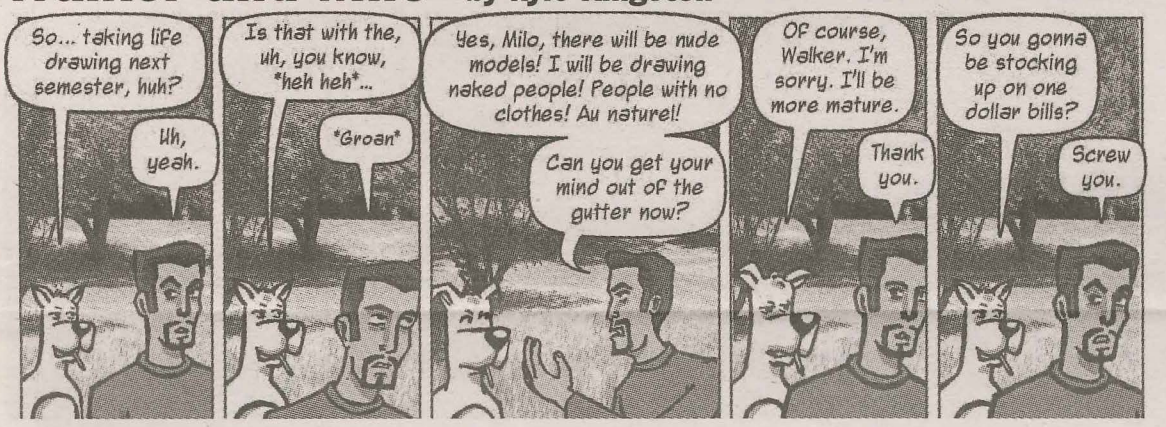

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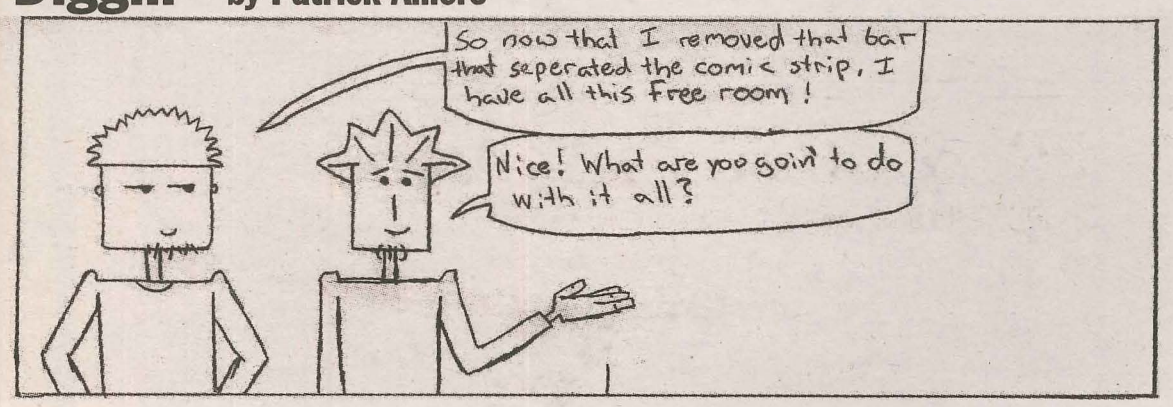

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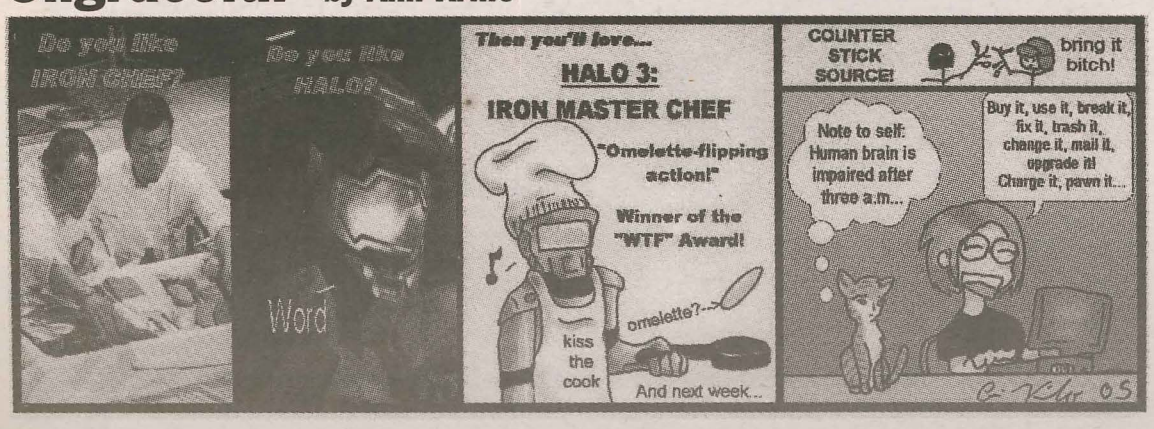

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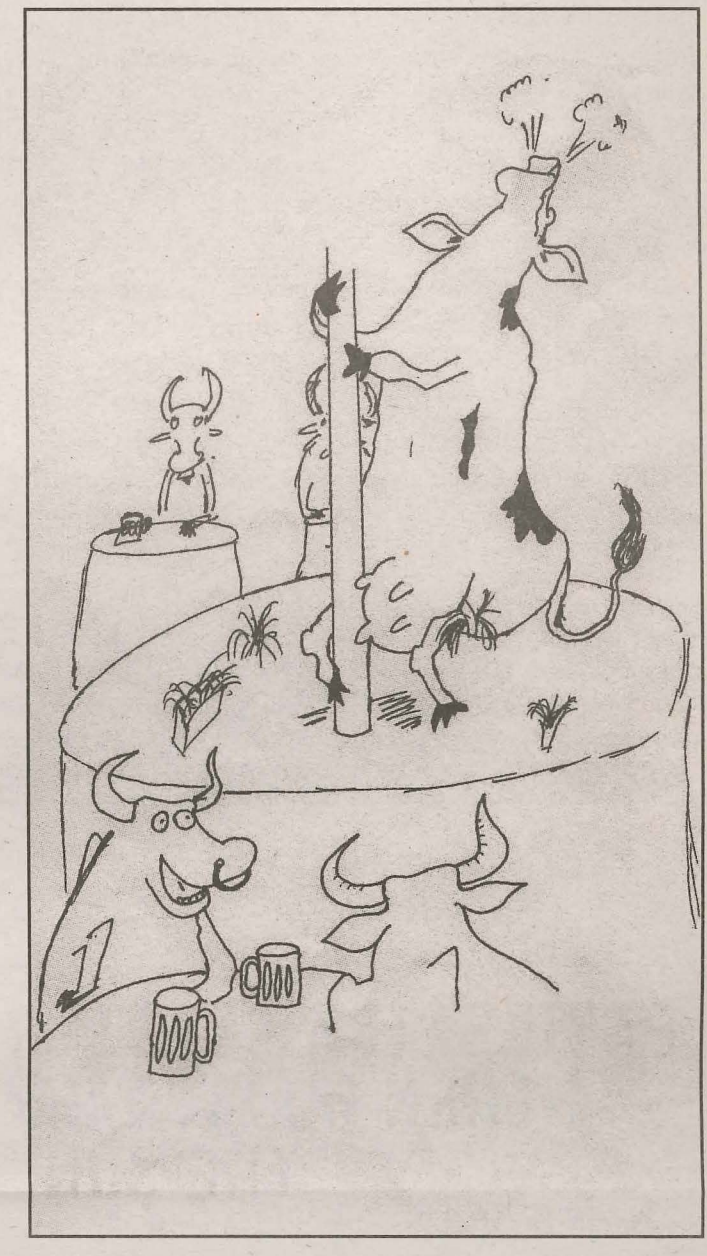

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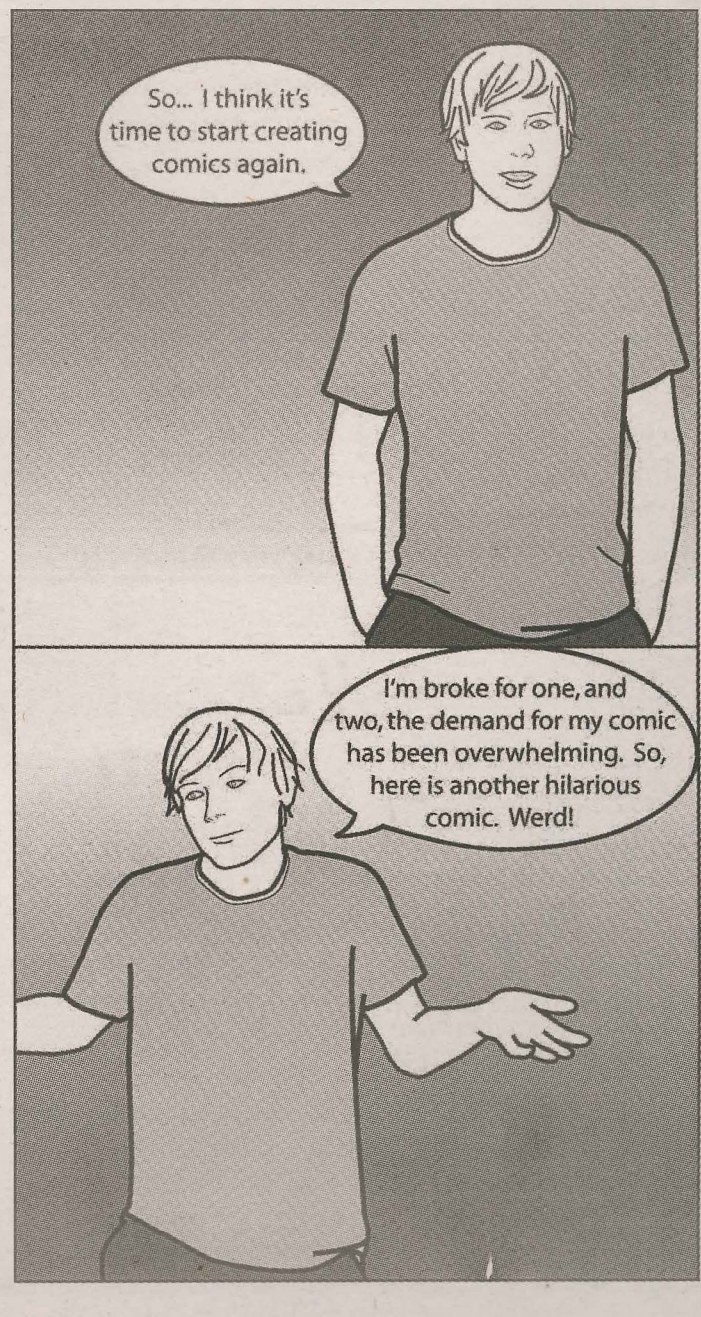

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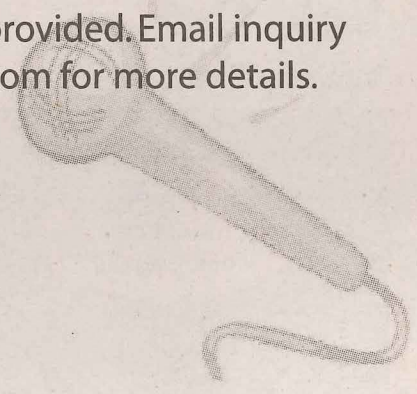

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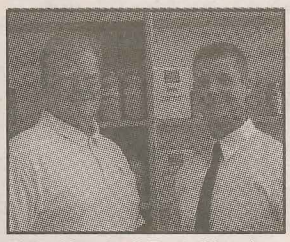

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Golf club takes flight

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

There is a new club on campus this year that supplements the new golf course management major on campus: the Golf Club. The club formed in the fall semester and has been busy getting everything organized and running smoothly.

Currently, the team boasts a roster of over 45 members, with around 20 people in attendance at each practice. The club is co-ed, everyone practices together and competes against one another. Currently, only the women are competing against other schools.

Practices are scheduled for putting and chipping at Pinewood Golf Course Tuesday and Thursday evenings, consisting of hitting the local driving range. In addition to bi-weekly practices, weekly events are set up for members to play. Events range from two-team best ball to match play to stroke play. None of the practices or events are mandatory. People are encouraged to just come out when they can.

"This year has been just about getting our feet wet and figuring out where we would like to go with the club," said Ryan O'Connor, club president. "We believe that the club has the ability to be very successful, despite the fact that the university does not have the facilities to support our sport."

The club is free to join this semester, as there are currently no discounts at golf courses for members. Next year however, the team will have dues around $10 that will include a membership card, allowing them discounts at surrounding golf courses. The club is still working out the specifics of this program. They hope to be able to provide practices for members at a price students can afford.

Everyone is welcome to join the team or to attend a practice to see what golf is about if you've never tried it before. The only thing required to join the club is an interest in the game of golf. No experience is necessary, and the team can find equipment for people to use. Club members are always willing to help and teach the sport.

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cause while my blood may be green and gold, I've got a tiger-striped heart. It was the first time the Bengles had a pick outside of the top ten in ages. Pollock is a great fit for the Bengles, because his size and speed are well needed for this defense. Pollock may be one of the few rookies to find himself in the Pro-Bowl this season.

23. Fabian Washington (CB)-Oakland

If your name is Fabian, do you really deserve to be in the NFL? Washington runs a 4.2 40 and was a key player in the Nebraska defense since his freshman year. Youth hasn't been something that has existed in Oakland recently, and Washington may have trouble playing with the dinosaurs. Either way, Quincy Carter isn't the only lame name in football now.

24. Aaron Rogers (QB)-Green Bay

Most Packer fans were happy to see Aaron Rogers still on the block when Green Bay was up. I know he won't be in the system for a while, but you really have to love this pick. Rogers is the best quarterback in the draft, and although I rarely make bold predictions, I will say this: Aaron Rogers will have a better career than Alex Smith.

If you wish to seek my knowledge and study under me, I will be happy to give you a free lesson. I hope the draft went well for your team, unless you are a Vikings fan.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Junior Chad Tousley has won many games on the mound for the Blue Devils, but last weekend he completed a feat which he had never done in a collegiate baseball uniform.

In an 11-5 victory over the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Tousley pitched his first ever complete game.

The win did not come easy for Tousley, who gave up 13 hits in the contest, but he managed to get the team out of tight spots in both the seventh and ninth innings to secure the win.

The win gave the University of Wisconsin-Stout a split with the Titans, who won the first game of the series 7-3.

The next home game for the Blue Devils is on April 28, when the team hosts Northland College.

The Facts:
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Chad Tousley
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SPORTS

Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (12-18)

The Blue Devils defeated Augsburg 11-2 on April 27.

Next Game:
April 28 hosting Nothland College

Track & Field

On April 30, the Blue Devil women will compete at the La Crosse Classic, while the men's team will compete at the Drake Relays on April 28-30 and at the Simpson College Open, Friday, April 29.

Softball (13-18)

The Blue Devils split two games with River Falls. The team won the first game 4-3, before losing the second 9-4

Next Game:
April 28 at Ripon College

New School: NFL Draft

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

You're a freak. You read that headline, and thought reading this column would be a good idea. Congrats on probably having a lot of your Friday nights free.

If you are upset, don't be. My Friday nights are often filled with sports and the Sci-Fi Channel. In order to write this column, I felt I needed to watch as much of this past weekend's NFL draft as possible. That's right, I'm talking about Day 2 action.

The draft started out at 11:00 a.m. and at a little before 1 p.m., the Vikings selected for the first time. It would still be hours before Green Bay made a pick. What's the point of this little story? Watching the draft, while entertaining, really isn't a good use of time. Unless you're me and you have to write a column on how the draft went for the teams in the NFC North.

Minnesota's First Round

Before the draft started, many fans and experts were impressed with the Minnesota Vikings' off-season. With only a pair of true needs remaining after the draft, it's safe to say they had a great off-season, but everyone knows the actual season is all that matters, not the off-season.

Wide receivers; I don't buy into the Troy Williamson pick. Personally, I would rather have seen the Vikings use the pick on Mike Williams. After training with Williams all year, Chris Carter said the kid is ready to play in the NFL. Picking a speed receiver to fill the hole of departed superstar speedster Randy Moss makes sense, but picking speed to replace speed seems too easy.

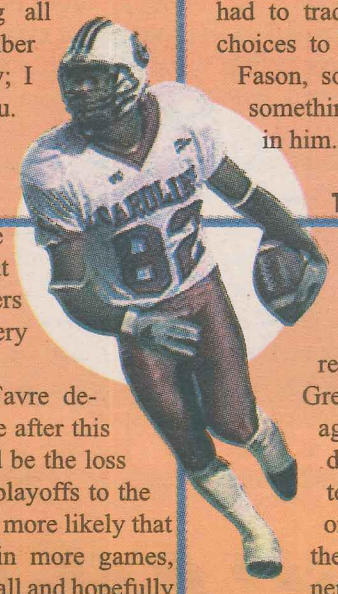
Nothing is easy for Minnesota teams. Look for Williamson to be good, but not great this year. Then again, Williams is stuck with the Detroit Lions, so he probably is only going to be good, not great this year also.

With their second first-round pick, the Vikings took Erasmus James, a former Wisconsin Badger. If not for a bad hip, Mel Kiper, Jr. thought that James could have been top five in the draft. I think that taking damaged goods in the first round is a huge risk, but the Vikings needed help at the position.

Green Bay's First Round

Funny thing happened to Ted Thompson on the way to his first draft as General Manager of the Packers; he forgot which team he worked for.

Before any of you send e-mails saying I'm crazy, and that the Packers got lucky with Aaron Rodgers falling all the way to number 24, don't worry; I agree with you. In Rodgers, the Packers have a player they can groom to replace Brett Favre, but picking Rodgers came with a very high price.



Why did Favre decide not to retire after this season? It could be the loss at home in the playoffs to the Vikings, but it's more likely that he wants to win more games, play more football and hopefully get back to the Super Bowl.

How the heck will a third string quarterback help him achieve that? That's right, third string. Craig Nall was just resigned, and Green Bay is very happy with him at number two, so this year's first-round pick will have to beat out a backup just to be a backup. Ouch.

The Rest of Minnesota's Draft

Minnesota missed out on drafting a great kicker when the New York Jets selected Mike Nugent two picks before the Vikings in the second round. That will be a problem for the Vikings this season. Morten Andersen will probably be resigned in late August or early September to handle the field goals while another player handles kickoffs.

After the Jets selected Nugent, the Vikings turned their attention to Marcus Johnson, an offensive lineman who can play guard or tackle. He will probably be the replacement for David Dixon.

The last player to note from the Vikings draft was running back Ciatrick Fason. The team had to trade two fourth round choices to Washington to draft Fason, so the team must see something pretty special in him.

The Rest of Green Bay's Draft

In the second round, it became really apparent that Green Bay General Manager Thompson was drafting for a different team. With its two second round selections, the Packers took cornerback Nick Collins and wide receiver/return man Terrence Murphy. Neither is considered ready to help at the NFL level.

How do these picks help the Packers? This team had an amazing offense last season, but no defense. So, when two of the team's top three picks are a quarterback and a wide receiver, I am afraid I have to say the Packers had a bad draft; at best mediocre.

The Packers were without a third round pick this year, but had two picks in all the remaining rounds. Five of the remaining eight picks were used on defense. That's just too little too late. If you want to point to Brian Urlacher as someone who was drafted on the second day and has become a superstar on defense, go ahead. But don't forget that players like Urlacher are usually found in the top third of the draft, not the basement.

Scoping in on the new picks

Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Each year, the NFL draft brings football fans from every corner of the nation together.

As we stare at our TVs, we eagerly await for our team to get on the block. We watch as the minutes and seconds tick off the selection clock, soaking up the useless analysis of who our team may select.

The tension grows as commissioner Tagliboo enters the stage and announces the selection. Finally, we sit around in a bar with friends and talk about said selection for the next six months.

Yes the draft is pure magic.

With that in mind I'd like to give you my analysis of a few first-round picks in the NFL draft. Entailed you will find generalized descriptions along with vague predictions of what these picks may do for your team. I only say this because nobody, I mean nobody, can really tell what will happen in the coming months.

1. Alex Smith (QB)-San Francisco

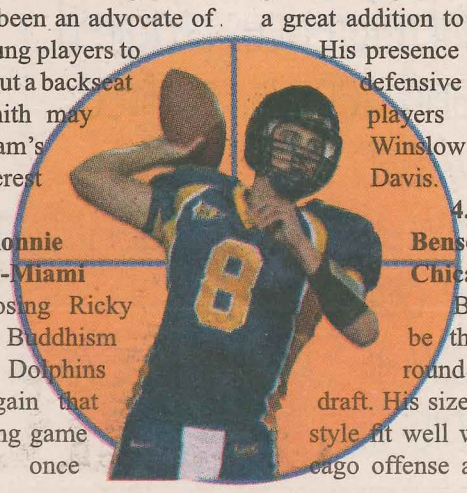
San Francisco needed about five first-round picks to make any headway on their depleted franchise. Smith will have to learn the system fast if he wants to start his career on a high note. I've always been an advocate of throwing young players to the wolves, but a backseat spot for Smith may be in the team's best interest this season.

2. Ronnie Brown (RB)-Miami

After losing Ricky Williams to Buddhism last fall, the Dolphins need to regain that strong running game they were once known for. New head coach Nick Saben can now start looking for someone to play quarterback. Overall, Brown is a good pick for a team that needs to boost its offense. Brown could see the ball 20-25 times a game for the Dolphins this season. His balance of speed and good hands should put him in the starting slot this season.

3. Braylon Edwards (WR)-Cleveland

Having to catch a Trent Dilfer spiral may be Edwards biggest challenge, but I think he is a great addition to this offense. His presence will ease the defensive pressure off players like Kellen Winslow and Andre Davis.



4. Cedric Benson (RB)-Chicago

Benson could be the best first-round player in this draft. His size and running style fit well with the Chicago offense and while he may never have a 50 yard run, you can bet he will wear down defenses and take pressure off quarterback Rex Grossman.

5. Carnell "Cadillac" Williams (RB)-Tampa Bay

Cadillac is a great player, but I don't see him fitting into Jon Gruden's offense. He will need a good supporting cast to have a good rookie season. The Buc's should have went defensive in the first round.

7. Troy Williamson (WR)-Minnesota

The Vikings hope to use him as a deep threat now that Randy Moss is gone. Unfortunately, I hear that Williamson is a team player and runs his routes every time, so I'm not sure how the replacing Moss idea works. On a positive note, the Vikings had probably the best draft in the league and going to have a powerful offense next season.

17. David Pollock (DE)-Cincinnati

I chose to write about the Bengles first round-pick be

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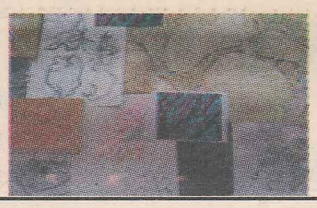

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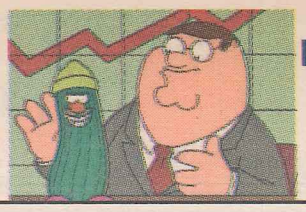

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Students garden to clean water

By Renee Currington
News Writer

Gardening can offer even more than food, outdoor exercise and beauty—it is also a natural way to help clean the water we use every day.

The biology department at University of Wisconsin-Stout is working with students and the community to implement more needed rain gardens in Menomonie to help reduce pollution in our water.

"We're interested in having the students apply what they learn in class and give back to the community," said Dr. Kitrina Carlson, a biology professor at UW-Stout.

Students who take the Science, Society and the Environment course study the health of local waterways and design rain gardens that prevent rain runoff.

"When I was little, I used to be sad to see shiny oil puddles in parking lots go down drains because they were pretty," says Elizabeth Olsen, a botany student. "Now I'm sad to see the oil go down the drain for a different reason."

Runoff is rain water that flows from rooftops, lawns and pavement that runs through storm drains and back into our bodies of water. Pollutants such as road salt, pesticides, manure and various industry chemicals can have a devastating effect on water life.

"We're trying to get urban environments to act more like natural systems" says Darren Lochner, UW-Extension agent and local natural resource educator.

As Menomonie becomes more urbanized and more vegetation is replaced with buildings and paved roads, less rain water is absorbed into the ground and more of it flows into bodies of water.

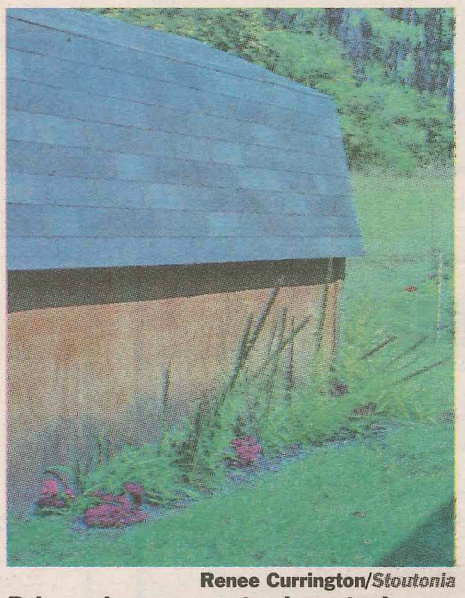
According to Lochner, 80 percent of the water used in Wisconsin comes from ground water, which is water absorbed into the ground after rainfall.

Rain gardens help replenish our ground water. The deep-rooted, native plants in a rain garden are strategically placed for the purpose of soaking up rain water after heavy storms.

The vegetation in a rain garden also absorbs much of the pollutants, making runoff cleaner. Rain gardens also reduce the speed of the runoff flow, reducing floods and soil erosion.

Aside from all the benefits of rain gardens, they are an aesthetically pleasing addition to a lawn or business lot.

Students who are not homeowners can still help make Menomonie a beautiful place to live and promote cleaner water for future residents by getting involved in community environmental projects.



Renee Currington/*Stoutonia*
Rain gardens are a natural way to decrease pollutants in water.

"Knowing that what we do will have a lasting positive impact is such a motivation," Anna Andahazy, a botany student who enjoys designing rain gardens.

Homeowners can get very creative with rain gardens and those who do the garden work themselves can have a rain garden at very little cost.

"We are very encouraged by the community response," says Carlson "It's great to be in a community that is excited by this."

For more information on how to design rain gardens, or how to get involved with cultivating a community rain garden, contact Carlson in the UW-Stout biology department.

Doyle speaks at Stout

Governor to address graduating students

MENOMONIE - The University of Wisconsin-Stout will hold spring commencement ceremonies at 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Saturday, May 14, in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Governor Jim Doyle will address the graduates during the morning ceremony, while Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen will give the afternoon address, confer degrees and present diplomas.

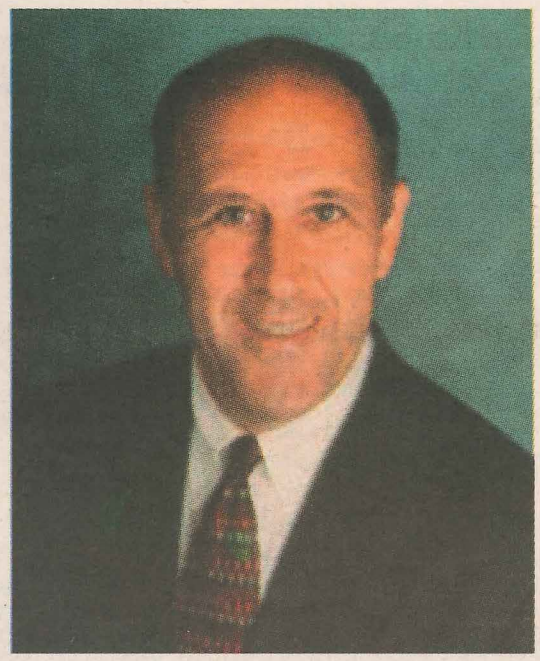
Among the estimated 865 graduates receiving degrees, about 145 will receive advanced degrees.

UW-Stout Provost Robert Sedlak will preside over the ceremonies. Music will be provided by the UW-Stout band, directed by Stephanie Graber. Choral selections will be presented by the Stout Symphonic Singers, directed by Patrick Liebergen and accompanied by Karol Hommen.

Robert Heuermann, assistant chancellor for Foundation and Alumni Services, will welcome the graduates into the Stout Alumni Association.

Morning ceremonies will be for graduates in the College of Arts and Sciences, and the College of Technology, Engineering and Management. Afternoon ceremonies are for graduates from the College of Human Development and the School of Education.

Classes at UW-Stout end Tuesday, May 10. Evaluation week begins Thursday, May 12 and ends Wednesday, May 18.



Aid returning for drug users

By Cati Vanden Breul
Minnesota Daily

(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS -- Some students are lobbying Congress to remove a provision in the Higher Education Act that punishes students with drug convictions.

The provision, added in 1998, denies federal financial aid to students with any drug-related offense, including misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

A U.S. House bill introduced in March would remove the drug-penalty provision from the Higher Education Act. Student groups around the country, including Students for Sensible Drug Policy, are lobbying to get legislation introduced in the U.S. Senate that would remove the provision.

"We have been trying to get the HEA provision that denies financial-aid funds for drug convictions removed ever since it was put in place," said Mary Mullen, a second-year University Law School student and president of the student group's Minnesota chapter.

Mullen said the law hurts people who are already in need of help.

"It's absolutely incredible to think that we want to deny people who are in trouble access to education," she said. "It denies them the avenues that would allow them to change. If the government denies you the ability to do something different, you are going to be inclined to take the same path."

But Joel Johnson, president of the Law School Republicans, said it's not unreasonable for the government to withhold financial aid from students who commit crimes.

"I don't think it's unfair for the government to say that 'We'll give you a better opportunity to better yourself with education as long as you follow the rules," Johnson said.

"Students who use drugs in school might not focus as much as those who do not," he said.

"The law also discriminates against minorities and low-income students," said Tom Angell, the Students for Sensible Drug Policy communications director.

"The Higher Education Act was created to make college more accessible and affordable, but this provision, added in 1998, really only affects low- and middle-income students, because those who are more well-off don't rely on financial aid to afford college tuition," Angell said.

"Although black people make up only 13 percent of the U.S. population, they account for 55 percent of drug convictions," Angell said.

"Though the law includes a provision that allows students with drug offenses to receive financial aid if they undergo a rehabilitation program," Angell said. "Such programs are expensive and unaffordable for many students."

"Education should be provided to help people improve their lives, regardless of their income level," he said.

"We should be opening doors," Angell said. "Instead, we are slamming them shut."

"But by overcoming the loss of financial aid and working to afford college in other ways, students can 'clean up their act,'" Johnson said.

"Maybe they work for a year and start up later," he said.

First time drug possession offenders become eligible for aid again after one year, while students with a distribution charge must wait two years.

"Although the law is meant to deter drug use, many students do not know the provision exists," Mullen said.

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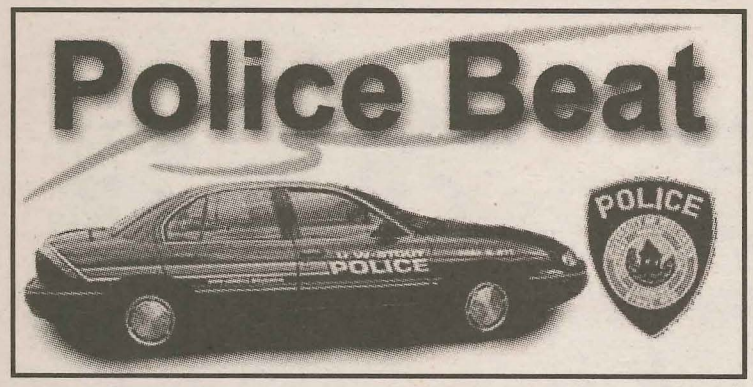

By Adam Cieslak
News Writer

Kickin ass and takin names
On Apr. 26, a faculty member reported that people had been in the fenced in area on the east side of the tech wing. The suspects tampered with the sawdust collection system in the construction lab, which spread sawdust all over the area. Two beer bottles were also found in the area. A request was made for police to patrol the area more often.

Truth is stranger than fiction
On Apr. 28, an officer was dispatched to the Sports and Fitness center to report a theft. At around 6 p.m., soccer practice was taking place in the stadium. A ball was kicked over the fence and onto 17th Ave. Before the players could retrieve the ball, a car stopped, the passenger ran out, grabbed the ball, got back into the car and the car took off. The license plate number was taken down and contact is being made with the owner of the car. The ball was valued at $100.

Fireworks are cool
On Apr. 30, officers responded to a call of fireworks going off at CKTO. Upon arrival the students fled into the building and could not be located.

Drugs / *aid needs*

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"The deterrent factor doesn't really help; students don't know that this will be their punishment," she said.

And students are not thinking about it either, said Natalie Lupo, an officer in the University's Student Network for Abuse Prevention student group.

"If someone's going to do drugs, the last thing on their mind is that they might be caught and lose their financial aid," Lupo said.

"Education about the harm and consequences of using drugs must start early to have a preventive effect," she said.

"People use drugs or overdose, and then we scold them, but we don't do much to teach them beforehand," Lupo said. "A lot of people say it's common sense, but I don't think it is. It must be driven into their minds."

Johnson said that even though he had student loans, he was not aware of the drug provision, and for the law to be more effective, the government must make students aware it exists.

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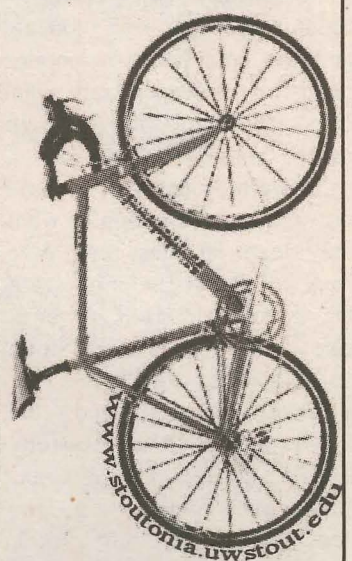

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1	1	803 Wilson Ave #2	$350	$350	inc	inc	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	1226 Knapp St	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	Downstairs of duplex/North Menomonie	D
1	1	421 Wilson Ave #4	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
3	1	716 1/2 12th Ave.	$500	$167	$650	$217	Big Kitchen,and living room	D
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
3	1	327 1/2 Main St	$750	$250	n/a	n/a	Downtown location, includes trash pickup	O
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4	1	1606 10th St.	$550	$138	$720	$180	House behind Lammers,w/d hook up	H
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4	2	1702 6th St	$900	$225	$1075	$269	Large House close to campus/washer/dryer	H
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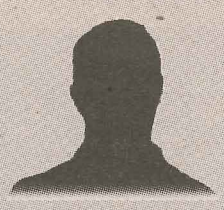
College students' year end thoughts



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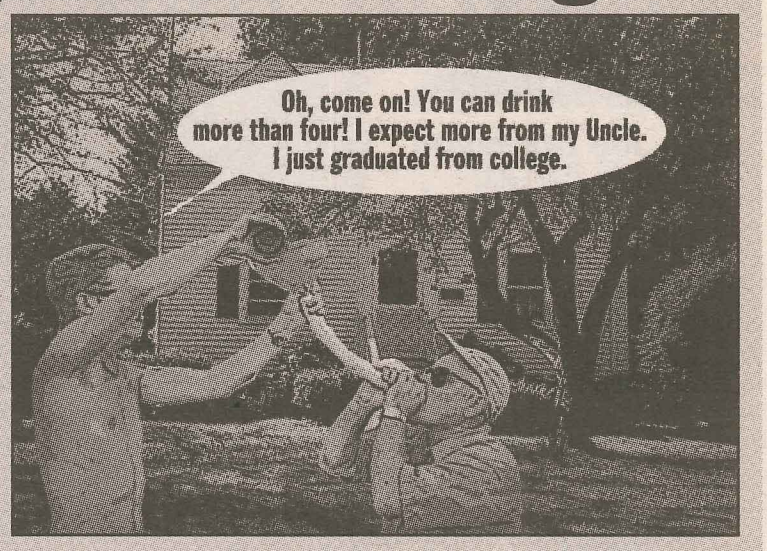

So, what's on your mind?

We can't give you a penny for your thoughts because then we'd be even poorer, but seriously, what is on the mind of the average college student right now?

Odds are pretty good that you are thinking about end of the year projects, tasks and parties. As the school year comes to an end, many events are made out to be more important than they really are.

"You have no idea how much art homework I have! You're in hotel and restaurant management."

Yes, art students do have a lot of stuff to do at the end of the year, but as the writer of this editorial can attest, that is more often a result of procrastination than it is a result of the program. No matter what your major is, you did the same thing. You let the projects build up because there was always tomorrow or next week to do the work. Not any more.

After working themselves silly, college students are usually easy to find at end of the year parties – they are the ones drinking and drinking heavily.

End of the year parties are nice, but the real entertainment is at graduation parties. You never know what you're going to see at a graduation party. From college roommates bawling their eyes out, to family members trying to out drink each other, college graduation parties have it all.

Maybe you aren't thinking about the end of UW-Stout's school year. Maybe you are thinking about the fact that the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse is going to be getting out a week sooner than UW-Stout, and they came back from winter break a week later. Even if you weren't thinking about that little nugget of information, you are now.

Maybe you don't care about school in the slightest, because you are more caught up in the Michael Jackson trial. You're shocked that the trial isn't getting the kind of media attention that the O.J. Simpson case garnered. Then again, O.J. was black.

Perhaps you care more about television and you are hooked on the fact that an American Idol judge has been up to no good. If this is the case, you need help.

Actually, it wouldn't be bad if all of that were on your mind, because all of the previously mentioned items tell us two things about you. Number one: you are American. Only in a country where Tom Green became famous could the people have enough free time to care about everything from graduation to American Idol judges. Number two: you are normal, or at least close enough to pass for normal.

In the land of the free, there is nothing wrong with being your own person. You have your thoughts and everyone else has their own thoughts.

This editorial is quickly turning into an after-school special, but we're going to go with it and see where we end up. You might be wondering how we got from graduation to being your own person. Don't worry. No one saw that coming.

Drive fast or get out of the way

Steve Tietz
Columnist

It's occurred to me recently that there are more people on the highways these days that do not belong. I am talking above and beyond the old and chronically blind folk who often clog our transportation system with their site seeing ventures, I am alluding more to those people who are merely there to aggravate and irritate me with their incessant blindness to the world around them.

They are either too involved in their cell phone conversations or scenic beauty around us (which I have yet to discover), or maybe they simply lack in the ability to comprehend the difference in foot pedals placed at their disposal.

In either case, I would like to offer up some tips for those that clog the passing lane on the highway or those that wish to proceed in their travels at or under the speed limit: (1) if you have a problem doing at least five over the limit, don't drive on any road, ever; (2) if it takes you more than five minutes to pass a person on the freeway, you have an issue; (3) if you notice a line of cars tailgating you, move and; (4) some people would like to get where they're going in a reasonable amount of time. Others would like to get there in even less time. Please respect these people.

Several times it has been outlined for me that I have an excessive driving style: I speed excessively, I tailgate excessively and I do not like to take excessive amounts of time to get somewhere.

Sometimes my driving style interferes with the law, but then again you can't make an omelette without breaking a few eggs. I have never endangered someone else's life with my driving and I never will. I am a confident driver and any confident driver should know their limitations and their car's limitations. By knowing these limitations it appears that one would be able to distinguish between "speed up" or "get out of the (insert desired profanity) way."

Of course, this is not all our fault. The system of transportation is flawed; we live in a society that says we all need to have our own vehicles or multiple vehicles in order to get from point A to point B. This is not true, we could remedy the situation by building high speed rail systems that would be a part of a public transportation system similar to that of our European counterparts.

I, for one, hate driving any longer than an hour because of pure boredom. Then again, I enjoy having my own vehicle and the freedom it gives me. Another problem that plagues our system of transportation, is the DMV's licensing center. Acquiring a driver's license is about as easy as acquiring alcohol before you're 21. I can't even begin to outline the problems with the DMV, but I will say that there are more people in this country that shouldn't have licenses than there are illegal aliens.

Our antiquated system may never wield higher speed limits or stricter laws governing licenses, but at the very least, people can still move out of the way of faster traffic and be a little less oblivious to the rest of us on the roads we're forced to share.

My view on this particular matter may be greatly skewed, and so I will enter in some justification for slower speeds: (1) less accidents occur; (2) when accidents do occur, they have less likelihood of being fatal and; (3) the "sights" are easier to enjoy.

Nevertheless, do me and the rest of us who like to travel at a brisker pace a favor by staying in the right lane, or by making it easier for us to get around you. There is, after all, a benefit to this concession, I will be more likely to wave in gratitude then honk obsessively and give you the one finger salute. One last tip: Be safe, drive fast.

Laziness taking over

Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I don't want this to be a typical "I hate homework at the end of the school year" article, but I do.

It would be a lie to say that the end of a college school year isn't the time when people slack the most, because it is. Even people that usually can do all of their homework ahead of time without blinking an eye are being lured away by the crafty charms of laziness. Friends of mine are starting to drop like flies into slothful patterns, and I'm not immune to it.

I've been feeling the pull of laziness all week. Sure, the course work for classes in my major gets done, I still care very much about that, but classes that I don't feel as strongly about are being put on the chopping block.

The worst part of the situation is that in order to avoid working on things and also boredom, I've been inventing new procrastination devices.

Do you know how terrible that is? I already have enough things in my room to take me away from schoolwork without new stuff to take me away from the things that are already distracting me. That means that I've been procrastinating procrastination. That's theoretically possible, I think. Or at least it is in my case.

I guess I should give examples of what I mean. To keep busy while I'm sitting in my room procrastinating, I've been working on summer job stuff. I have to fill out some safety information for a job I've been hired for and instead of doing that, which is already a time filler, I've been messing around with Garage Band on my laptop. It is free on Macs, and it's amazing. You can use different sampled instruments, drum beats and synthesizer sounds, to create and record music. There's even a microphone in my computer somewhere, so I can do vocals, too.

As you can see, this is probably a lifetime of fun, and it keeps me from filling out required safety forms, which keep me from doing homework.

Yeesh. I'm just glad that I was able to type this article without taking too many breaks to fiddle with new beats on Garage Band. It's hard enough that I can see it in my dock on my computer right now, much less that I'm not using the program. But I think you get the drift; don't let fun software get the better of you. That's a terrible moral, but one that everyone with a computer has to learn sometime. As for me, I'm going to go play in Garage Band.

Losing our freedom in literature

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

Whoosh… you can hear it, almost see it, the pendulum that is, as it swings far to the right. The pendulum is gaining momentum on the upswing, gaining speed and power while showing no signs of slowing anytime soon. But soon it will need fuel, and that fuel could come from a very simple source, kindling.

This kindling will not be wrought from the bodies of our great forests or collected from its floors, no, this will come from trees long perished and already in use. At a temperature of 451 degrees our books could begin burning.

Alabama State Representative Gerald Allen is currently trying to push through what he calls a ban on "gay books." The below is a quote from a CBSNews.com article.

"I don't look at it as censorship," says State Representative Gerald Allen. "I look at it as protecting the hearts and souls and minds of our children."

This sounds great, doesn't it? "Protecting the hearts and souls of our children" definitely sounds like a noble task; a crusade that could be given to a knight in the most polished of armors, but let us have a look at the actual text of the law, shall we?

No public funds or public facilities shall be used by any state agency, public school, public library, or public college or university for the purchase, production, or promotion of printed or electronic materials or activities that, directly or indirectly, sanction, recognize, foster or promote a lifestyle or actions prohibited by the sodomy and sexual misconduct laws of the state of Alabama.

Now I will admit that I am not knowledgeable on the "sodomy and sexual misconduct laws of the state of Alabama," but this does not strike me as a bill that has very sternly set boundaries. What exactly do the sexual misconduct laws cover? What could they cover?

Could these laws cover Shakespeare? If you have read almost any of his works, then you know his writing can get a tad steamy at times. Would you like a more contemporary possibility? How about best-selling author Neil Gaiman? His novel "American Gods" would fall under this iron curtain. This does not even begin to cover the vast emptying of shelves that would happen.

How about the area of film? Libraries everywhere stock a vast assortment of films that are free to rent. Krzysztof Kieslowski's works would be ripped down and trod upon as simple cobblestones. Or, in a more known example, how about "The Shawshank Redemption?" Many look at this as being a highpoint in film, but it could very easily be tossed aside in a situation like this.

> *"...if we are to continue on this route we should stop claiming that we are the land of the free and the home of the brave. We are no longer brave. We cower and hide, only seeking to emerge when the world is as we think it should be."*

Dictatorships and police states never happen overnight. No night-thief ever issues in times of twilight. They happen slowly, like the turtle in a race against the hare; no one sees a threat, but eventually, the turtle gains momentum and the hare takes his speed for granted. By the end of the day, the turtle has won and the hare has lost his golden crown.

It is the first amendment of our constitution that guarantees our freedom of speech. The founders of our nation did not think of this as a miniscule issue; it wasn't a last minute decision. In a nation that claims to prize freedom above all else, the protection of our speech seems essential.

Perhaps, though, if we are to continue on this route, we should stop claiming that we are the land of the free and the home of the brave. We are no longer brave. We cower and hide, only seeking to emerge when the world is as we think it should be.

America is quickly becoming the land of cloistered and the home of the cowards. We hide behind our inabilities to even try to understand another viewpoint, another walk of life. Through this we are only inbreeding intolerance and ignorance.

I wish it weren't, but the pendulum is swinging and shows no signs of slowing. I don't think it will slow for another four years; I only pray that by then the damage is not already done. I only hope that Fahrenheit 451 does not prove to be prophetic instead of merely being a work of warning fiction.

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Artists-In-Residence display artwork

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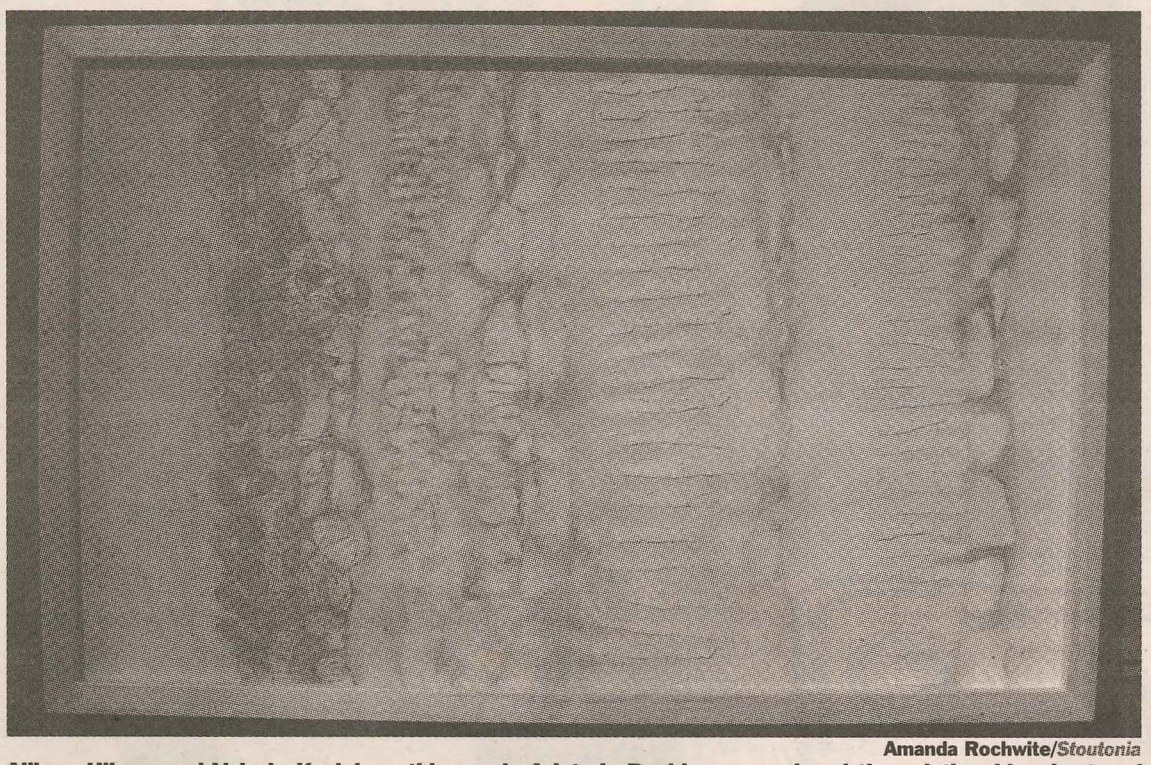

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Allison Hilmer and Valerie Kasinkas, this year's Arists-In-Residence, explored the relationship of art and technology in their current art exhibition. The work is displayed on the first floor of the library.

Micheels is a very important and respected name at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Since 1987, Bud and Betty Micheels have given creative students on campus the opportunity to showcase their work in the form of a grant, specifically the Bud and Betty Micheels Student Artist-In-Residence grant.

It is a grant designed to give students the opportunity to explore the relationship of art and technology. The grant is awarded to two students every year who exhibit this relationship in any medium.

"The student work needs to address the relationship of art and technology in some manner," said Ron Verdon, the director of the grant. "The format may vary depending on the proposed research and the selected project."

The grant continues to give students an opportunity to express their creative talents. This year, Allison Hilmer and Valerie Kasinskas have been awarded the grant, and their exhibition is currently on display in the lower level lobby of the Library Learning Center.

Kasinskas, a junior in studio art, acknowledges the honor of this grant.

"I found that the experience was truly enriching and worthwhile," said Kasinkas. "I met and connected with many different people through the project and gained a larger perspective; and in my eyes that is what life is all about."

Both students adapted their own concept of the relationship of art and technology. Kasinskas developed three installation sculptures through the use of different technologies including a surveillance camera, webcam and video.

Hilmer, a junior in studio art, has several paintings depicting the view of cells through a microscope. Her paintings identify things that humans know but don't necessarily see.

One piece from each student will be selected for permanent display on the fourth floor of the library, along with the artwork of previously awarded students. All the work that Hilmer and Kasinskas developed for the grant will be featured in the library until May 6.

According to Verdon, any student interested in applying for next year's Artist-In-Residence grant is eligible; there is no required major.

"Students need to request two recommendations from faculty, identify a faculty mentor who is willing to support and work with the student throughout the year in pursuing the selected project and prepare a portfolio of work for submission," said Verdon.

Applications are available in the department of art and design office, Applied Arts 235, or can be down-loaded at http://www.uwstout.edu/lib/artists/application.htm. The deadline for 2005-06 applications is Monday, June 13, 2005.

Breakfast and dessert to make Mother's Day more delicious

Food can be a perfect way to give Mom a thoughtful yet affordable present. These recipes should do the trick.

Katie Bader
Columnist

Have you decided what you're going to get your mom yet? As you know, Mother's Day is fast approaching. This can be a tough decision.

"I think I'm going to get my mom flowers," said Chelsea Nicolay, a sophomore in interior decorating.

Flowers are a great idea for your mom, but if you are short on cash and trying to think of something creative to make her, flowers might not be the answer. You can't just make a picture in art class for her like you did in second grade, either.

Instead, you could try baking her something, serving her a fancy feast for dinner or helping her with the dishes. You could also just try to help her with work around the house.

"I usually try to clean up the house or at least do the dishes on Mother's Day," said Brian Foiles, a senior in industrial design.

In some families, breakfast in bed is a yearly tradition. Breakfast in bed is a cute way to let your mom relax and enjoy a lazy morning on her special day. If you have never attempted to treat your mom with breakfast, here are some tips.

1. Be sure to plan ahead, buy all the ingredients beforehand, or try to set up the pots and pans ahead of time so she won't wake up when you are banging around in the kitchen.

2. Moms pay attention to details. While they'll love any effort you made with a simple breakfast, it is special if you go the extra mile. Try bringing out the nice napkins, using the fancy plates or freshly squeezing the orange juice.

3. Your mom may not appreciate crumbs in her bed, so instead, set up a creative and delightful place setting at the kitchen table and serve her breakfast there.

4. Clean up your mess. She'll love the breakfast you made, but she won't love scrubbing all the pots and pans you used.

With these tips in mind, here are a couple breakfast recipes you can make for your mom. Keep her favorite foods in mind and customize these recipes to make them just the way she would like.

Omelettes are one option that would be perfect because they take a little extra time and effort than moms usually want to spend in the morning. Unique foods can be easily added to them to make your mom feel special. This is just the basic omelette recipe, but add any of the fillings your mom would love.

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Omelette

(1 serving)
3 eggs
2 Tbsp. milk
Dash salt
1 Tbsp. margarine
1 Tbsp. shredded cheese, any kind (optional)

1. In a mixing bowl, beat together the eggs, milk and salt with a fork or whisk.

2. In a skillet, melt the margarine on medium heat. Add the egg mixture.

3. As the eggs cook on the edges, gently lift the edges with a spatula, pushing towards the center. This allows the rest of the uncooked egg to flow underneath the cooked part. (Don't stir the eggs, only keep gently lifting the edges).

4. When the eggs are no longer runny and the surface is moist, top one half of the omelette with your desired fillings. Fold the other half over the top. Sprinkle with cheese (if desired).

5. Cover and let cook one minute, or until the eggs are golden on the underside.

Fillings: Diced ham, pepper, tomato, cheese, onion, bacon, mushrooms, avocado, peaches, apples, parsley, cilantro, barbecue sauce, alfalfa sprouts, banana, hot chili, sour cream or many others!

Muffins are always a nice breakfast treat. Here is a light recipe, with no butter or margarine. If you are trying to surprise your mom, you could bake these the night before when she wouldn't notice and bring them with you in an airtight container when you are preparing her breakfast.

Light Banana Muffins

(10 muffins)
2 eggs, beaten
3 very ripe bananas, mashed
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 tsp. salt
3/4 cup white sugar
1 tsp. baking soda
1 cup walnuts (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly grease or line 10 muffin cups.

2. In a medium bowl, combine eggs and bananas.

3. In a separate bowl, mix together flour, salt, sugar and baking soda. Stir banana mixture into flour mixture. Fold in walnuts if desired.

4. Pour batter into prepared muffin cups.

5. Bake in preheated oven for 20 to 25 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into center of a muffin comes out clean.

Serve this breakfast with a glass of orange juice, a cup of coffee or tea and a sweet decorative flower.

Not all of you will have the time to make your mom a special Mother's Day breakfast, or you might have other Mother's Day events to plan. You can serve your mom something else, just as special.

If you have a young brother or sister, or niece or nephew, they might want to help you bake a special treat for mom. This is a great way to include them in the present.

One idea is to make basic

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Look-a-Likes

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Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us see it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.

What is the best excuse for getting out of a final exam?

"Bat your eyes, and flash a smile."
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"'Accidental' death of the teacher giving the final."
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"Getting treated for an STD."
Dylan Erickson
Hosptiality and Tourism
Freshman

"Jesus came back."
Nicole Miner
Hospitality and Tourism
Sophomore

Recipe / *for Mom*

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Rice Krispies treats; an easy, child-proof recipe. After the treats are made, decorate them with frosting, or cut them out into cute shapes. Rice Krispies treats can be easily formed into shapes such as a heart or a flower. Cut the treats into words to let your mom know just how much you appreciate her.

Another easy dessert to serve on Mother's Day is parfaits. Like omelettes, parfaits can be customized according to your mom's favorite foods. They are fancy and sweet at the same time.

Strawberry Pudding Parfaits

(2 servings)
1 small package chocolate fudge pudding mix
2 cups milk
2 cup whipped cream
1 cup strawberries, sliced

1. In a medium bowl, combine the pudding mix and milk. Whisk together for five minutes.

2. Scoop or use a plastic bag to squirt the pudding into the bottom of the parfait glass.

3. Layer with whipped cream and strawberries until it reaches the top of the glass. At the top, squirt or spoon a dollop of whipped cream and top with a strawberry.

***If you like, substitute the chocolate pudding for cheesecake pudding, vanilla pudding or whatever your mom's favorite is. Substitute the strawberries for your mom's favorite fruit, or add in nuts, coconut or another type of fruit.*

A trick to making clean parfaits is to spoon the pudding and whipped cream into zip lock bags. Tightly close the bags. Cut a small hole in one corner of each bag, and squirt out the pudding or whipped cream through the hole.

These great meals and treats are a great way to tell your mom Happy Mother's Day, and let her know how much you love her!

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May 5 to May 12

Thursday, May 5
>**Collaborations,** art exhibition opening, Benny HaHa, Eau Claire, 6-8 p.m., free.
>**Thursday Night Out,** Rec. Center, 8 p.m.
>**Music: Charlie Parr,** Acoustic Café, 8 p.m., free.
>**Music: The Chariots,** Pawn Patio, 7:30 p.m., free.

Friday, May 6
>**Full Circle,** senior exhibition closing, AA 209, 6-9 p.m.
>**Passive Obsessive,** gallery closing ceremony, Student Gallery AA 209, 6-9 p.m.
>**Urban Hillbilly Quartet,** Blind Munchies Coffeehouse, 7 p.m., free.
>**Rummage Sale,** 502 14th Ave. East, 1-7 p.m.

Saturday, May 7
>**Rummage Sale,** 502 14th Ave. East, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Sunday, May 8
>**Rummage Sale,** 502 14th Ave. East, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Monday, May 9
>**Baseball vs. St. Thomas,** Nelson Field, 2 p.m.
>**Invention Exhibit,** Crystal Ballrooms, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.
>**Speakers:** "Six Months Across the Arctic" and "Great Grey Owls and Eagles of Alaska, Millenium Hall 201, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10
>**Generation Innovation,** Great Hall, 7 p.m.

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Hitchhiking nowhere fast

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Entertainment Writer

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Do you know where your towel is? You're going to need it to get through this movie.

The "Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" is a much-loved series of books whose authorship falls to the responsibility of the late Douglas Adams. Not "late" as in he can never make it to a tea party on time but "late" as in dead.

The movie is the latest version of a story that has spanned radio, novel, BBC moviedom, video games and a printed script of the radio broadcast. The reason I mention this is that each version was intentionally different from the other by the author's choice; even the radio script and the radio broadcast are different.

This is an important fact that I kept in mind the entire time I was watching the film. I tried to pick out the parts Adams changed and the parts that the other writer, Kirk Kirkpatrick, tossed in to satisfy the demands of Hollywood.

The story follows Englishman Arthur Dent, played by Martin Freeman, as he encounters the love of his life, Trillian, played by Zooey Deschanel and then loses her to the president of the galaxy. Then he almost gets her back and loses her again before finally winning her over.

This all happens to take place directly following the casual destruction of Earth at the hands of bureaucratic aliens. Dent's friend Ford Prefect, played by Mos Def, saves him from Earth's destruction with mere seconds to spare.

There are some other memorable story elements, as well, such as a grudge between Zaphod Beeblebrox, President of the Galaxy, and the… thing he beat during his campaign, but they all seem secondary to this boy and girl story.

The love story is boring to say the least. Arthur and Trillian come together almost arbitrarily. Sure, some aliens try to hold her hostage and feed her to the ravenous bugblatter beast, but it's a little anticlimactic when the only thing needed to release her is the appropriate paperwork.

To their credit, none of the actors did a poor job. None of them excelled, either. Five minutes after leaving the theater, you will have already forgotten the fact that humans are actually the third most intelligent species on the planet, next to dolphins and mice. You will have forgotten exactly why Zaphod had a second head installed directly below the first.

The flick does have some points to recommend it. It is very pretty: the visuals never fail to impress and the alien creatures all come across as being unique. This isn't "Star Trek" where every species is human except for what exists above the collarbone.

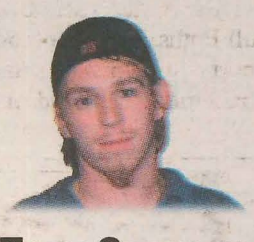
There is also a thinly veiled social commentary. The President of the Galaxy has two heads and was elected on looks and panache over actual intelligence and ability. The main alien race in the movie, the Vogons, is responsible for the bureaucratic infrastructure of the universe and is represented as boring, unimaginative, ugly and shallow.

This unfortunately does little to elevate their movie above the status of "yawner."

Above top: The Vogons just love inflicting their poetry on unsuspecting stowaways. Above bottom: Marvin is one depressed little robot.

In short, this is a mediocre film at best. You won't miss a thing by not seeing it in the theater and I can definitely think of many better ways of spending the seven bucks.

TV's funniest family returns...again



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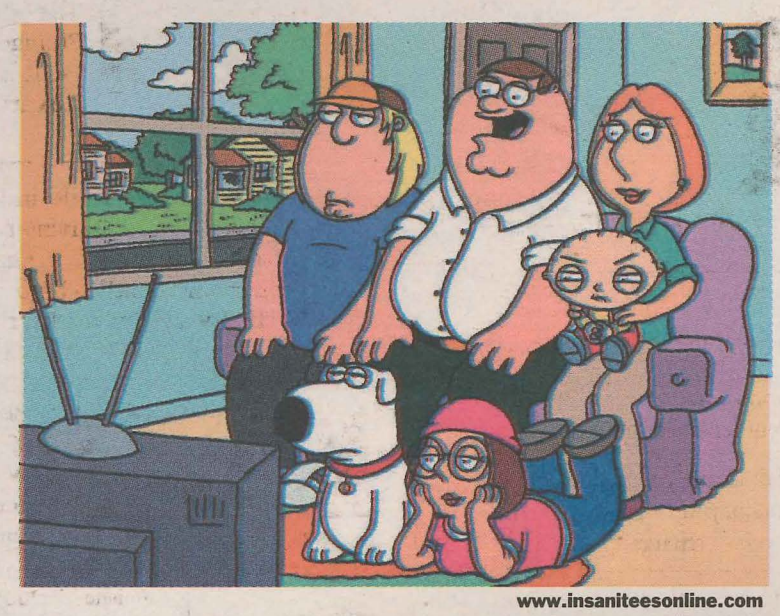

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"Famiy Guy" returns to FOX. After an imposed hiatus, the Griffin family is back to doing what they do best: driving network censors crazy.

"Family Guy" returned for its fourth season on Sunday, May 1. After three long years of waiting, Seth MacFarlane and crew have come back full swing to unleash more cutting edge humor and biting social commentary.

The fourth season and second comeback of one of America's favorite adult-oriented cartoons begins with an episode exploring the second honeymoon of Peter and Lois Griffin. Meanwhile, the witty and intellectual Stewie and Brian join forces to watch the home front.

The three-year wait merely sparked a wave of anticipation from adoring fans, many of whom can quote the entire series word for word. Despite continual controversy that prompted FOX to cancel his show twice, series creator Seth MacFarlane continues his no-holds-barred approach to animated sitcoms.

One of the best examples of MacFarlane's wit comes in a typically random side-note, recalling Peter's efforts to convince Congress to go to war. Congress is swayed when Peter declares that anyone opposed to war must be gay. The brief spoof ends with Congress going into a frenzy of support for the war.

The new "Family Guy" may be as ruthless and funny as ever. The third season ended abruptly with a nix on an episode centered on the facts and myths of Jewish culture. Despite approval from a Rabbi, FOX decided that not only would "Wish upon a Wienstien" not air, but no more new episodes would air.

Since then, die-hard fans have been able to catch the taboo episode on the third disc of the Vol. 2 box set; however, a slightly altered version can now be seen on TBS or the Cartoon Network during their regular reruns.

If the censors have loosened restrictions on the last road block to comedy, will FOX and the censors keep open minds as new, raunchy, fun radiates from televisions across the country every Sunday night for the next couple of months?

From this new beginning, it is clear that MacFarlane and company have little regard for political correctness in this politically sensitive era. And that's ok with me, to say nothing of the millions of others who eagerly tuned in to see what new twists lay ahead.

Toes will be stepped on, spotlight entities will be defaced and social attitudes will be ridiculed, all in the name of quality entertainment.

Goodbye, old friend

Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Writer

If you're not from Marshfield, you probably wouldn't have known James Brasington. He wasn't a Stout student; in fact, this fall he was planning to attend Beloit. But he died last Thursday in a car crash and I have to write something or I'll go nuts.

James was without question the kindest, smartest, and wisest man I've ever known. His talent and creativity were endless.

His life was described quite accurately as "an emotional roll-ercoaster." Whatever he felt, he felt intensely, passionately. His triumphs were grand, Olympian. Conversely, his sadness was not just depressing but a brooding Wagnerian torment.

I take some comfort in remembering how happy he was the last time I saw him sitting and drinking tea with our group of friends at an all-night restaurant. He had just played Macbeth in a university theater production, and had been damn good. It was the role he'd always wanted to play, and he'd nailed it.

There was so much we were going to do this summer. Our group had always hung out at his house. We could show up without knocking, or even calling ahead of time. We would watch movies, shoot pool, play video games, go bowling, or just sit and talk until the early morning hours.

Those were some of the happiest times of my life, and of his, I think. And now they're gone. I appreciated them while they were happening, but there was supposed to be years more of them. It wasn't supposed to end like this. It wasn't supposed to end, period.

He knew exactly how much he meant to us, and that he was loved. I know that any of us would gladly have taken his place in that car if God somehow gave us that chance. In a heartbeat, no hesitation. We would have done anything for him, and he knew it, and would have returned the favor.

I grieve for James with a depth of feeling that renders me practically numb. I grieve with and for his family. And I grieve for a world that's a little colder, a little lonelier, and a lot less brilliant than it was a few days ago.

Chariots come to Stout

MSC hosts genre blending crowd pleaser

Minneapolis band Chariots will be playing Thursday, May 5th at 7:30 p.m. on the patio outside the Rec. center.

The genre blending and inventive Chariots fuse Indie rock, punk and hardcore to create a mix of tunes that will rock your socks off.

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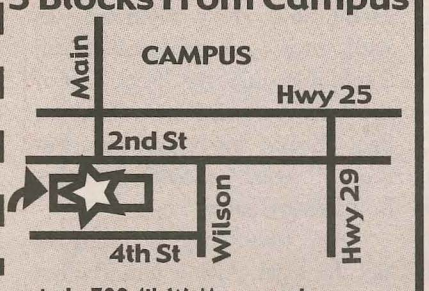

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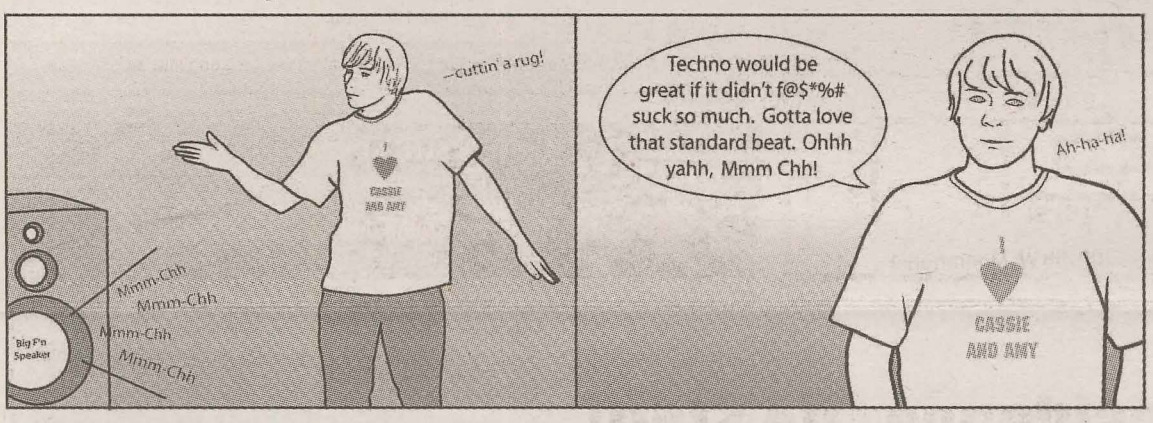

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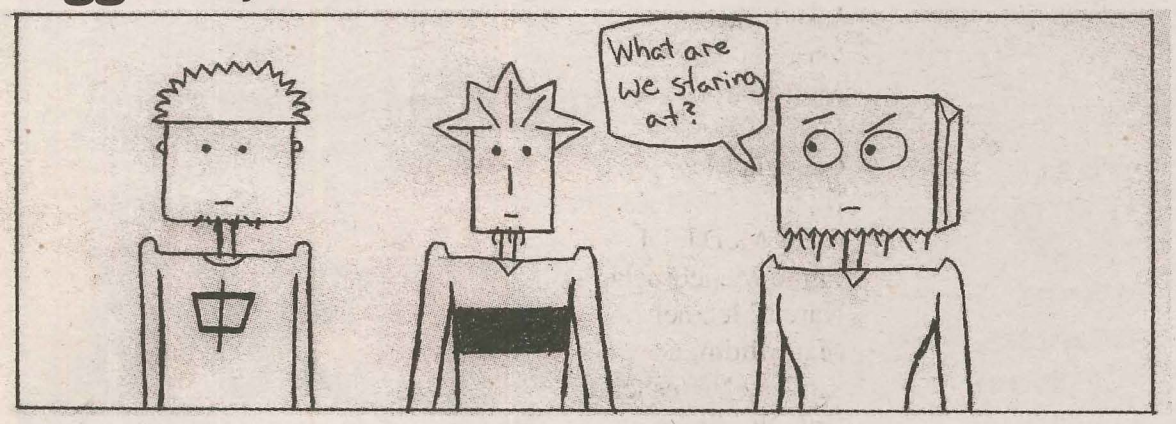

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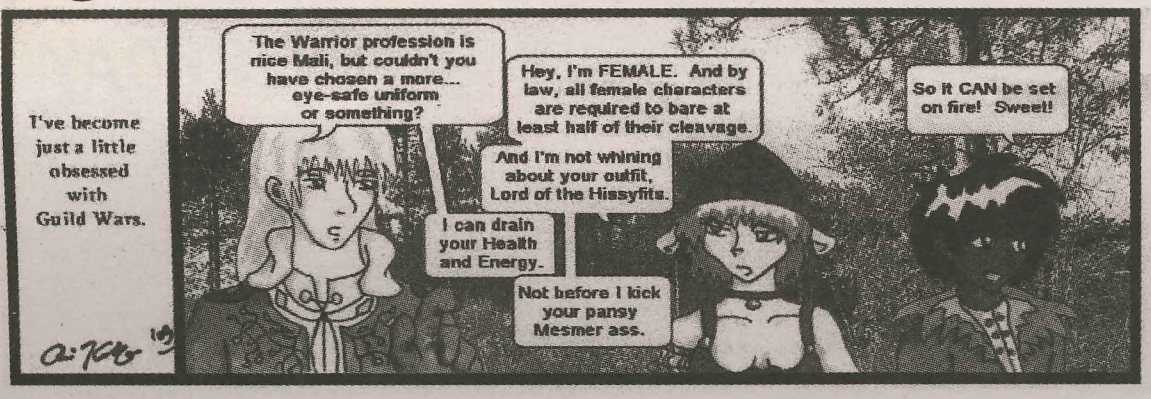

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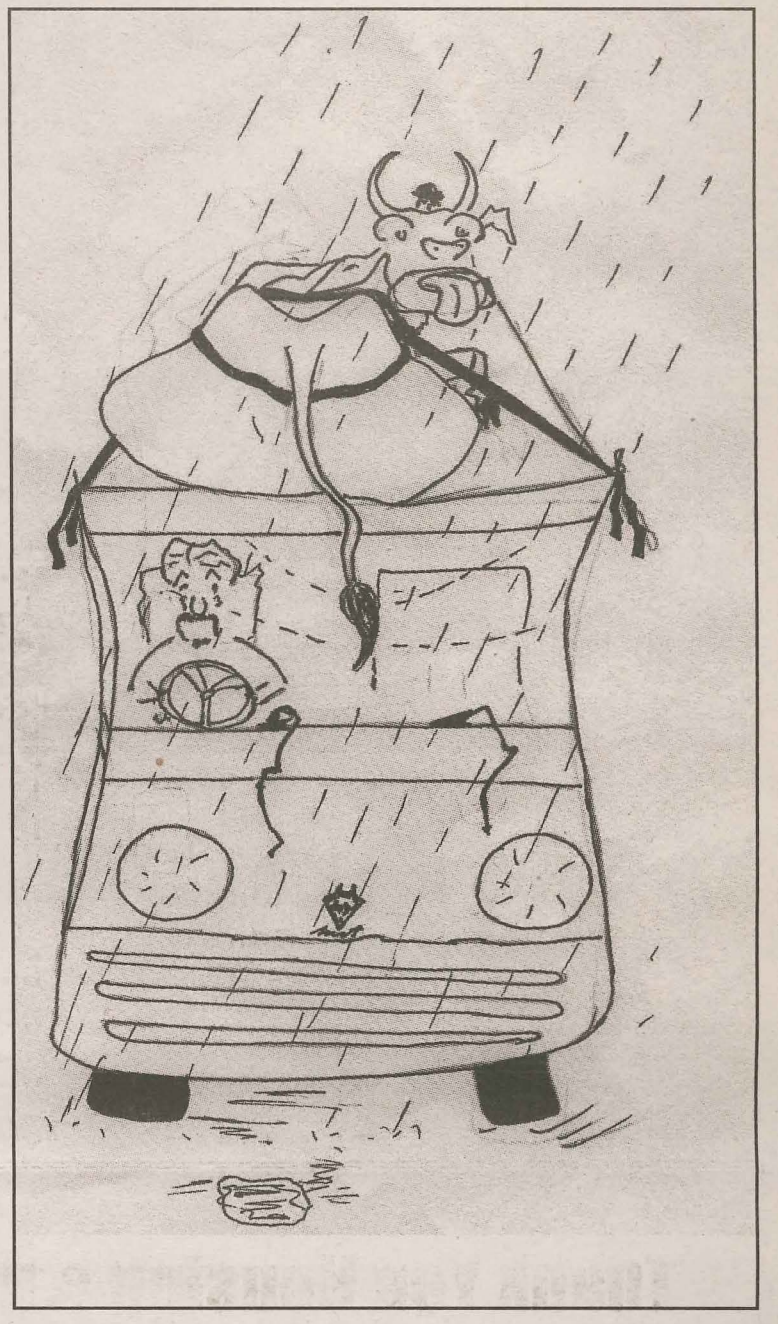

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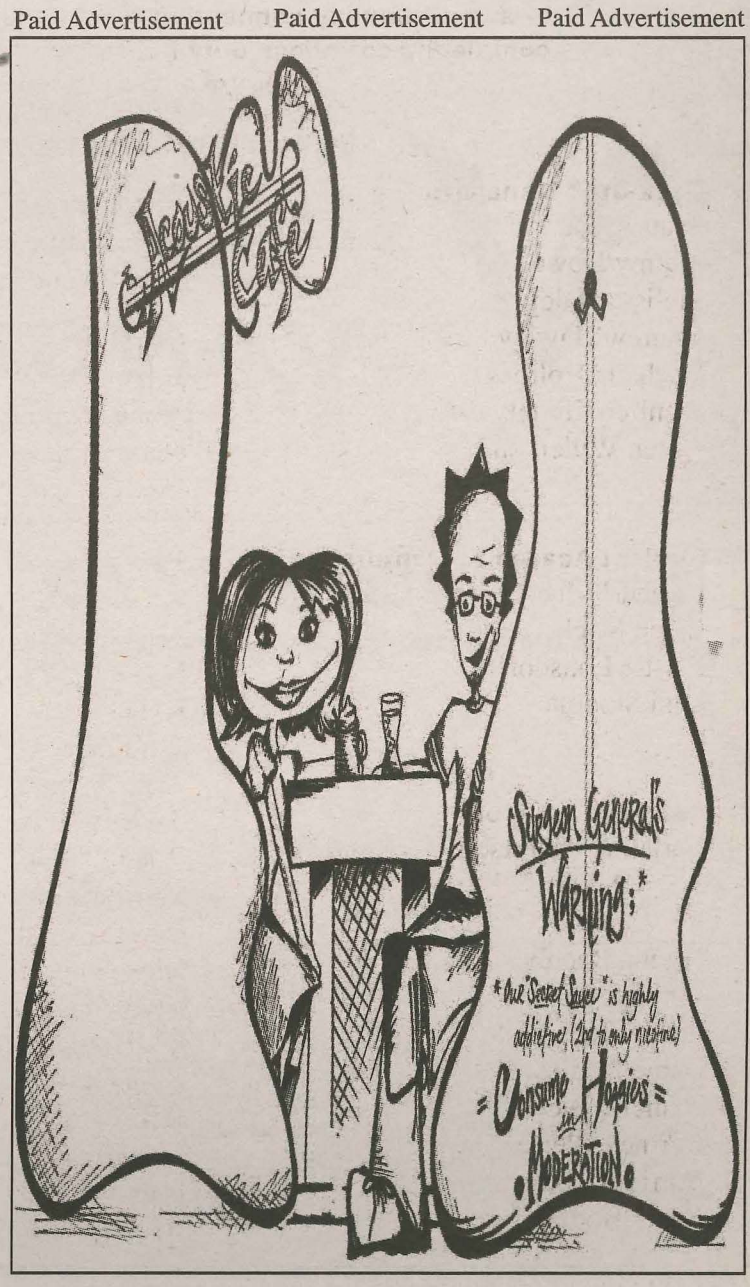

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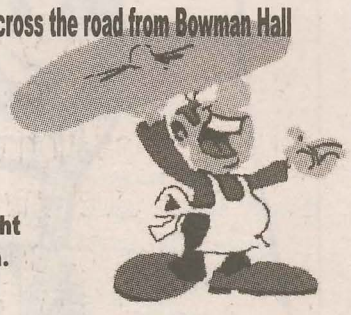

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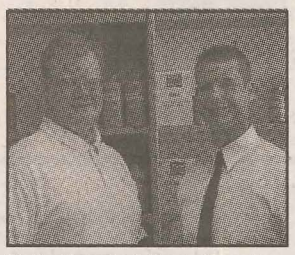

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Softball / *preparing for the WIAC tournament*

From page 12

The winning streak brought something that the team had yet to find this year, consistency.

UW-Stout played many games this season in which the team displayed great hitting and great defense. Unfortunately, it wasn't until recently that the Blue Devils were able to find a good balance.

"We would sometimes have games where we would play tough and then turn around and have an atypical game with too many errors, not hitting the ball, e.t.c. e.t.c," said Stainer. "From here on out, we will not see a team that is going to roll over and we have got to stay calm and composed knowing that if they earn a run, we just need to answer back."

The remainder of the Blue Devils' upcoming opponents are conference foes, as the team looks forward to the WIAC tournament at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater May 6-8.

For the UW-Stout softball team, it is an event it feels good about. The Blue Devils have defeated every team in the conference at least once, with the exception of the WIAC champions, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

"I feel optimistic going into this weekend, but I know that with the parity among the conference teams, whoever is on this weekend will go onto the NCAA Championships," said Stainer. "I think we have just as good of a chance as any other top team."

The Blue Devils will face the University of Wisconsin-River Falls in the first round of the tournament.

The season series between these two teams is 1-1, with the Blue Devils winning one game 4-3 and losing the other 9-4. The matchup should produce alot of excitment between two solid teams.

"The main focus will be to stay confident. This past weekend everything finally came together and we played up to our expectations, said O'Connell. "If we continue to stay confident throughout the rest of our season, I believe we will do well."

UW-Stout's first game of the tournament will be at 11 a.m. on May 6. The winner of the game will face either UW-La Crosse or UW-Oshkosh.

Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

Chris Stainer congratulates Jackie Juan during a game against UW-River Falls. The team will play UW-River Falls on May 6.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Megan Donley set a strong defensive pace for the University of Wisconsin-Stout as her seven strikeouts gave the Blue Devils a 5-0 victory over Northwestern College on May 4.

In the five innings that Donley pitched, she only allowed one hit and did not have any walks. Of her seven strikeouts, four of them were the first four batters of the game.

The win gave Donley her third shutout of the season and her ninth win overall.

The win kept the momentum going for the Blue Devils who have won their last seven games in a row.

On offense the Blue Devils kept the bats hot, getting ten hits and only three strikeouts on the night. The team will play in the WIAC championships on May 6.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (16-21)

On May 1, Platteville swept the Blue Devils 10-3, 19-5.

Next Game: May 8 at Viterbo

Track & Field

The men's and women's teams will compete in the WIAC Championships May 6-7 in La Crosse.

Softball (13-18)

The Blue Devils defeated Northwestern College 5-0 on May 4

Next Game: May 6-8 at the WIAC Tournament.

In the Wake

Waterski team features All Stars looking to impress the nation

Photo Courtesy of UW-Stout Waterski Club

The waterski team began practices on Lake Menomin and will host the Frostbite Figure 8 tournament on May 7. The team also traveled to Georgia over spring break to practice for the spring season.

By Amy Stoegbauer
Sports Writer

As the weather warms up, people begin thinking about getting outside and taking in some sun. The University of Wisconsin-Stout waterski team takes it one step further, kicking off its spring season by jumping into wet suits and taking a plunge into Lake Menomin.

The team formed about seven years ago and has grown considerably in recent years. It started out as a few students with a passion for waterskiing but lacked a boat.

Each fall, the team receives a new boat that they sell in the spring. Currently, the team is using a 2004 Moomba, the fourth out of the mold.

"The waterski team gives me a great chance to meet many new people," said Dustin Fiepke, a sophomore in construction management and vice president of the team. "I also get full time access to a boat, which many students can't say they have."

The team kicked off their season with a spring break trip to Georgia for some preseason practice on a private lake. Team members got the chance to spend their spring break in a warmer climate and improve their skills early in the season.

Recently the team was informed that three of its members qualified for the a Midwest All-Star team.

Katie Cantwell, Jason Stanek and Steve Jones are the three members were named to the All Stars. The team selects the top skiers from around the Midwest to compete against other regions throughout the country.

Cantwell will be competing in the women's jump, Stanek in the men's trick skiing and Jones in the men's jump.

The All Stars competition will be held May 21-22 in Ahoski, NC.

The team officially started home practices in the water around the second week of April. Though the weather may have been warm, the water was still quite cold.

The practices were necessary in order to prepare the team for the Iowa State tournament that was held April 15-17.

UW-Stout finished fourth place in that initial tournament.

The team then traveled to the Wisconsin Collegiate State Tournament April 29-May 1. Results were not available immediately for this tournament, but in the past the team has held its own against big Midwest schools such as the University of Purdue, University of Wisconsin-Madison, University of Michigan State, Iowa State University and Kansas State University.

The waterski team will host the last tournament of the season, the Frostbite Figure 8, May 7 at La Pointe Park, behind JTC starting at 10 a.m.

The event is open to all spectators and is free. The team will be selling refreshments and raffle tickets throughout the day. The team encourages people to come down and check out the students as well as pro-barefooters compete.

The Figure 8 has two barefoot skiiers behind the boat at the same time. The skiers compete to see who can stay up the longest while the boat is drivien in a predetermined figure eight pattern, marked with buoys.

It is a double elimination format and over 40 competitors ranging in age from 15 to 50 will be traveling to Menomonie to compete in the tournament.

The team encourages waterskiers of all levels to join the team and add that current members are open to teaching newcomers to the sport how to waterski.

"The ski team gives me a chance to be a part of an organization that has the same interests as me," said Eric Jameson, a sophomore in engineering technology. "It is also a great way to get away from the dorms and school work during the day."

Meetings are held every Wednesday in the Memorial Student Center at 7 p.m.

If anyone is interesting in joining the team, even for next fall, the team encourages you to attend a meeting or to check out the Web site at http://www.uwstoutwaterski.com.

There is a place to post questions and get in contact with board members right on the Web site.

Softball continues winning streak

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

Head coach Chris Stainer and the Blue Devil softball team have spent all season battling top ranked opponents, non-conference Division II schools, not to mention their tough conference schedule and it has finally started to pay off.

"We have gotten over the .500 mark, but we have played one of the toughest schedules in the conference," said Stainer. We did not go out this year to play mediocre teams and have a great record, we went out to play competitive teams to make us better for the end of the year.

The team's recent peak over the .500 mark came during the course of a six-game winning streak and a victory in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Cluster Tournament.

In the six games, the Blue Devils outscored their opponets 24-6, putting up two shutouts and scoring wins over four WIAC teams.

"Our six-game winning streak was definitely a huge momentum builder for us," said Blue Devil Erin O'Connell. "Our confidence has been down for a portion of the season because we have not consistently been playing up to our potential. Now we are finally playing well and we are playing consistently."

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Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

The Blue Devil softball team won a cluster tournament last weekend by defeating four WIAC teams. The next WIAC tournament is May 6.

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Stout says no to ROTC discrimination

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Recently the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) was proposed to come to the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus. On Monday, May 9, Chancellor Sorensen sent out an e-mail to all UW-Stout staff informing them that he had decided against the ROTC program on our campus.

"I have decided not to move forward with the invitation," said Sorensen. "I do not think, in good conscience, we can invite an organization to campus that discriminates against anyone because of sexual orientation."

The ROTC program has a "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Don't Pursue" policy that disallows anyone not of heterosexual orientation to participate in their programs.

"The 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' policy basically says if you are openly gay in the ROTC, you will get kicked out," said Adam Duffenbach, a senior majoring in service management and the president of the Student Senate Association (SSA).

Sorensen took many different factors into mind when making his decision. He had advice from the Chancellor's Advisory Council as well as votes from SSA, the faculty senate and the academic staff senate.

Both the SSA and the faculty senate voted in favor of the ROTC program. The only senate that voted against the program was the academic staff senate, which had an overwhelming 10 to 2 vote.

"The academic staff senators, in consultation with their constituents, had come to the agreement that the policy of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" does not support UW-Stout's principle of understanding and accepting differences, particularly with regard to the [homosexual] community," said Viola Jones, chair of the academic staff senate.

The main factor in the Chancellor and academic staff

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Some felt ROTC would have been a benefit to the UW-Stout campus

"This would have been a great opportunity for the student body," said Shawn Peters, a junior majoring in general business administration and the former director of legislative affairs for SSA. "Students have to go down to La Crosse to participate in the program right now, and they can't enjoy the whole experience."

The SSA voted in favor of the ROTC with an almost unanimous vote. The faculty senate also voted in favor of the program, but they did not discuss the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy.

"We thought the opportunity it would present for students at UW-Stout would have been positive," said Mike Galloy, the chair of the faculty senate. "It was more of an oversight that we didn't discuss the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy.

"There are a number of students in the National Guard that would rather be in the ROTC, but they have to travel to LaCrosse and Steven's Point. It would be more of a convenience to have ROTC on campus."

SSA delivers petitions

Stout doesn't want dining consolidation

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

They protested in the sixties and seventies for freedom and equality. The tradition continued last week as students of the University of Wisconsin-Stout protested at the governor's office.

Instead of protesting the war or equality, students of our school are fighting for our dining services programs.

In protest of Governor Doyle's proposal to consolidate the purchasing for all UW campus' dining programs, three UW-Stout students delivered 652 individually signed petitions to the governor's office.

The consolidation proposal would jeopardize the current food contracts and change students' food options.

UW-Stout would not be able to keep a variety of places to eat, good food quality and the cheap prices currently paid by students.

The students did not recieve much interaction with the governor. They gave all of the petitions to an unidentified office member and were then shown the to door of the office.

The petition was originally started by members of the Stout Student Association (SSA), and they are still waiting for a response from the governor's office. The three students chosen to deliver the petitions were Shawn Peter, Jessica Padellford and Julie Brickner.

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(left to right) Shawn Peter, Jessica Padellford and Julie Brickner rub Bucky Badger's nose for good luck before entering the Governor's office.

Skateboarding is not a crime

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Lindsey Schuldt/*Stoutonia*

Many students use skateboards to get to and from where they are going on campus, but until last week, it was illegal for them to do so. Now students can enjoy their skateboards legally. There is still no trickery allowed, however, which includes jumps, rails and riding any type of transportation within university buildings.

Everyone has seen the bumper stickers that say, "Skateboarding is Not a Crime," and until recently, the stickers were false advertising. Thanks to the University of Wisconsin-Stout police department, skateboarding is no longer a crime on campus sidewalks.

"Students going to class on skateboards as an alternative means of transportation aren't damaging anything," said Lisa Walters, the chief of UW-Stout police. "It's probably a good thing that they aren't driving a car but using the boards positively."

Chancellor Sorensen signed a memo on April 29, stating that is okay for students to skateboard to and from school.

This changes the Chapter UWS 18.06 (29) rule created in March 1992 that stated it was legal to use roller blades and bicycles on university sidewalks but it was not legal to use skateboards. Now, skateboards are also included in this rule, unless restricted by a posting.

"There was no question about the new memo passing," said Walters. "It was definitely agreed upon by everyone, because it just wasn't making sense that we stop students from using an alternative form of transportation to get to their classes."

Using skateboards for stunts, such as jumping and sliding is still not prohibited by the city or university ordinances. This new rule also does not apply to the streets of Menomonie, only the UW-Stout sidewalks.

Students coming from North Campus must use the Second Street East corridor to be legal.

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Saturday 56 / 39 Few Showers
Sunday 57 / 39 Partly Cloudy
Monday 64 / 46 Partly Cloudy
Tuesday 64 / 50 Isolated T-Storms
Wednesday 71 / 51 Partly Cloudy
Thursday 73 / 53 Partly Cloudy

Loan rates to increase

By Amanda Schroeder
News Writer

Each July, the United States Treasury adjusts the federal student loan variable rates. This rate is based on a three month Treasury bill auction in late May. This year, the rates may increase up to two percentage points; the first increase in five years.

Right now, the Treasury bill rate is 1.07 percent; the lowest that it has been in 40 years. Students who will be graduating should consolidate their loans before July 1 to lock in the low rates that they currently have.

This means that interest rates on loans such as the Stafford loan could raise from 2.77 percent to 4.6 percent or more.

For loans in repayment, rates could rise from 3.37 percent to 5.25 percent. Consolidating loans now can lock in the current low rates for the life of the debt. The average fixed rate is 2.85 percent currently.

There is pending legislation in Congress that would allow future consolidation rates to be at a variable rate instead of a fixed rate, like it is currently.

This would save the government money and cost borrowers more. The variable rate could reach up to 8.25 percent, or the ceiling.

This could mean higher loan payments and higher interest charges. This won't go into effect until July of 2006, if it is passed.

There are many advantages to loan consolidation, but there also may be some disadvantages. Consolidation of loans can significantly increase the total cost of repaying loans.

Borrowers have a longer time to repay their loan, meaning there will be more interest to pay. To avoid this, compare the cost of repaying unconsolidated loans with the cost of repaying a consolidated loan.

To get an estimate of total debt, repayment term and interest rate on your consolidated loan visit www.edamerica.net/tools/consolidationcalculator.aspx. It requires the amounts of all of your loans, and the interest rate on each of them.

If you don't have this information you can visit www.nsic.org, click on students and alumni and then on loan locator. This will give you a list of all of your loans and their interest rates for free.

How Loan Rates Will Change

Right Now		In the Future	
Treasury bill rate:	1.07	Treasury bill rate:	N/A
Stafford loan:	2.77	Stafford loan:	4.60
Loans in repayment:	3.37	Loans in repayment:	5.25
Average fixed rate:	2.85	Variable Rate:	8.25

ROTC / *not at Stout*

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senate's decisions were the conflicts between the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy and Plan 2008.

"The program would be bad for the university because it contradicts the plan of 2008, which embraces diversity from all angles, including sexual orientation," said Duffenbach. "It'd be like the university lying to itself."

Sorensen apparently felt the same way as the academic staff senate.

"At a time when we are promoting diversity and tolerance, ROTC would send quite a different message, stating in effect that we say one thing but practice another," said Sorensen.

Once ROTC is on campus, it is very difficult to remove it.

In Madison, less than a month ago, the students met with the UW-System Chancellor, John Wiley, and requested that the ROTC program be removed from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. They were denied because the Board of Regents had previously refused to repeal the program in 1989.

In 2003, MIT had to revise its nondescrimination policy and refer to ROTC as an exception because of their "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. ROTC said it was not its problem that MIT had to change policy.

"'Don't Ask, Don't Tell,' I'm not interested in one's sexual preference, and I'm not going to ask about it," said Army Lt. Col. Brian L. Baker, who ran the ROTC program at the time.

Out at Stout, the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender organization on campus, is thrilled with the news.

"I commend Chancellor Sorensen for his effort to promote diversity and equality," said Danielle Wojcik, an art education graduate of UW-Stout.

"He didn't bend down for any organization or group," said Wojcik. "Had he, he would have been silencing people and not allowing individuals to be themselves."

SKATE / *finally legal*

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The police department, though supporting skateboards and other alternative forms of transportation, notes that most motorized vehicles are still illegal to run on university sidewalks as well as City of Menomonie sidewalks.

If a scooter or motorized vehicle has a license plate, then it is not allowed to run on any sidewalk; they are only authorized to run on the roads and in parking lots. However, if students wish to park their scooters and other motorized vehicles by the bike racks, they can turn their vehicle off and roll it over to the rack.

If a motorized vehicle does not require a license plate, then it is not allowed on sidewalks or on the roads while running.

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1	1	803 Wilson Ave #2	$350	$350	inc	inc	All Util Included, great location	8
1	1	1226 Knapp St	$350	$350	n/a	n/a	Downstairs of duplex/North Menomonie	D
1	1	421 Wilson Ave #4	$395	$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, WSG, Hot Water, parking	6
2	1	421 Wilson Ave #1	$540	$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. Heat, W/S/G, Trash, 2 parking spaces	6
3	1	147 1/2 Main B	$850	$284	$850	$284	Util inc/washer/dryer/n/p	4
3	1	1503 7th St.	$650	$217	n/a	n/a	Good loc, downs duplex, Wash/Dry, Avail Aug 23	4
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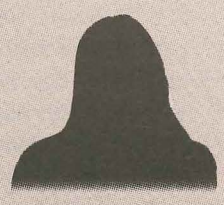
Many feelings on graduation



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

As the school year is coming to an end, there are a lot of things on everyone's mind. Some of this may be all those finals you are cramming for, some of it may be the friends you are going to be losing and some of it may be where the heck you are going to live when you get out of this place.

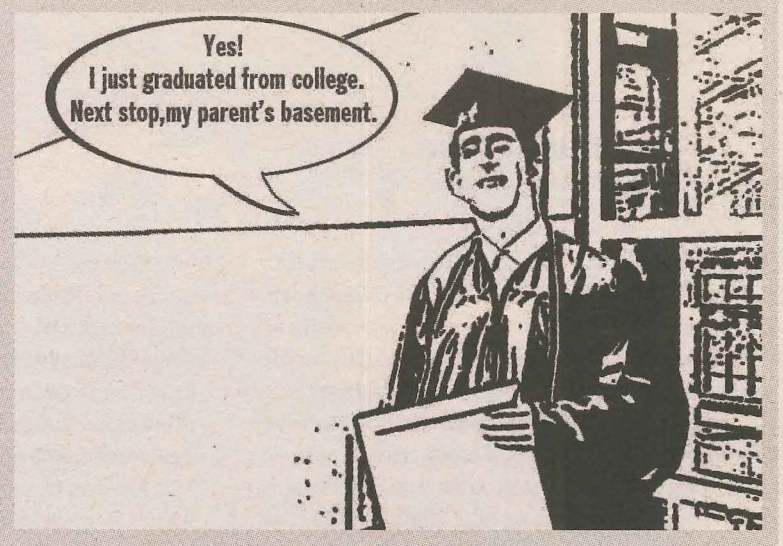
Whether you will be living in your parent's basement, or scrambling to find money to pay for your first non-college house or apartment, there are many things to consider. Where will you live? How far from home will you be? How far from your friends and family do you really want to be?

Living too far from home can be hard. It will be hard to get used to not seeing the people that you see every day now. There are probably a lot of friends here that you don't to want to leave.

College is where you make friends that are even closer to you than the friends you had in high school. Think about it. How many of the people that you were friends with in high school do you really still talk to? Chances are it's not too many. And now, whether you are seeing friends graduate or you are one of the ones that will be walking across that stage, you will be losing at least some of your friends.

But you can make new friends, right? After all, you will be entering a whole new world, the "real world." It's time to grow up and start searching for that great career that you spent four years, maybe more, working towards.

There may be many feelings associated with this moving into the so-called real world. You could be more excited than ever to finally be at that point in your life. You made it, you graduated from college and are ready to start the rest of your life.



On the other hand, the real world can be a scary place. You might have to move to a place where you don't know anyone. You have to decide what you want to do for the rest of your life.

How you may feel about it may depend on how much you have planned.

You've been working on attaining that degree for quite some time now, but are you actually going to use it? How many of us will actually end up doing what we went to school for in the first place?

Maybe something better came up, or you found something that you thought would be more fun than what you are supposedly supposed to be doing.

If you are one that will be graduating, whether in the morning or afternoon ceremony, it may make a much bigger difference this year than others.

The morning speaker is Governor Doyle. The afternoon speaker is Chancellor Sorensen. How does one group get to hear from the governor and the other from the chancellor? This we may never know.

To the graduates, we at *The Stoutonia* wish you luck in all that you do.

Keeping high hopes for summer and finding the rebel I used to be

No matter how much we expect from summer, there is no way we can know exactly what it will bring to us.

Steve Tietz
Columnist

We have arrived at that time of the year once again, and it seems that I am compelled to write one of those articles about how glad I am to see this year put behind me and how much I am looking forward to a summer of true bliss and absolute foolishness.

So I guess I will heed the call of duty and offer some insight into where I will be going and let you peer over another piece of aimless writing that you will no longer need to endure; until next year that is.

It seems just yesterday that I was a young punk rebelling against all authority and eagerly pursuing my sins with vigor and tenacity at my side. I can easily recall a time when there wasn't a thing I wouldn't try at least once, but more often twice for good measure, and my willingness to drop slander at the footsteps of all those that opposed my direction and discretion.

As my twentieth birthday lingers in short distance and another school year has almost been written entirely into the history books, I fear that I have lost some of my wicked tendencies to rebel against all and spit in the face of conformity. It seems that every year around my birthday, I ponder these same thoughts, and I invariably come to the same conclusion in that I hate maturity.

My complete disdain for maturity has led me down a few paths crisscrossing its way over the hot coals of disaster and misfortune, and even though it taught me a lot about personal conviction, it has also taught me to be wiser in my pursuits.

With this in mind, I have undertaken a journey towards righteousness and truth. My summer may be everything it should be: parties, drunken hazing, road trips, concerts and late nights with friends by the campfire of society.

I hope my summer is much more, though, I hope it is filled with moments of unforgotten clarity and fortune. I hope my summer vacation does not force me to question once again where I belong and why I tried so hard to be there. I hope I do not lie down by the road side and forget the choices I make. I hope I find the rebel attitude I miss so much, the attitude that paved my way to college and the attitude that was stolen by the choice.

I hope we all get a chance to look at where we have been and where we want to go during our break, but most of all, I hope we all answer the call to be more. Many students will be graduating soon and choosing to undertake careers in the "real world" or choosing to pursue graduate school, and I hope for them that they have found their calling and that they embrace it.

For me, the end of this school year is the culmination of a year of struggle; it is the ultimate accomplishment.

Those of you that will be rejoining me in the fall to pick up the reigns to our futures and lead ourselves blazing blindly down the path of continued education, I have nothing more to offer as insight.

I have shared my trials and tribulations over the course of this semester, and I hope my words have somehow impacted your realm for just a moment and I hope somehow, in some slight way, the piece of me I have offered to you has been taken with gratitude.

The struggles we have faced this year as a collective and as individuals have made us all stronger, and the achievements we embraced together and as one are the reasons why we are here.

I will be returning home for the summer, and I am sure that as soon as the novelty of small town life and home cooking has worn off, I will be ready to return to the home I will miss dearly. But as much as I will miss University of Wisconsin-Stout and long for our return and beg to unite as a collective against the tyranny of oppression, we must spend our time wisely in the towns we seek to evade.

I have arrived at the end of the page with many more words to offer and many more thoughts to pour out for you to glance over, but this is all I have left to offer at this time. Raise your glasses to the dream, and let the dream be deferred no more.

> ***"My complete disdain for maturity has led me down a few paths crisscrossing their way over the hot coals of disaster and misfortune, and even though they taught me a lot about personal conviction, they also have taught me to be wiser in my pursuits."***

Tomorrows don't last forever

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

No one thinks that tomorrow is uncertain. It's always there, or at least it always has been. Until one day it's not.

Everyday begins except for one. If you are having a bad day, just be glad you woke up.

Far too often college students feel that they are indestructible, or at the very least that they are young enough to overcome any setbacks they may face. This is not the case. We all face the risk of losing tomorrow, the risk that we won't be waking up tomorrow and the risk that life won't be as long as we had planned.

People don't like to think about their own impending death, but it's inescapable. It's life or death. So many things in life are painted in gray, but life and death are pitch black and snow white.

My point, which I hope is already evident, is that we truly should seize the day. Tomorrow isn't always there. It's there for a limited amount of time. Maybe you'll live to be 100, but even then tomorrow will stop coming.

I have been a fixture at *The Stoutonia* for the last four years, and in that time I have seen a number of good friends depart for a number of reasons, graduation, to join the armed forces, internships, to name a few. Every time a friend left I noticed myself feeling like I'd miss a number of opportunities to hang out with that individual. Since I worked with them I always assumed I'd have tomorrow to do the things I wanted. Now they are long gone and I am about to follow them away from Stout and out into the world. My college years have run out of tomorrows.

I leave behind a large group of friends and take with me a list of things I wish I had done. Things at *The Stoutonia* will be fine. Those of my friends not graduating will find new friends and I will not be sorely missed by anyone. I say this, not because I am sad or disappointed, actually it's just the opposite. I find myself comfortably okay with the idea that life goes on. Many things will change, but that's the nature of life. Nothing can stay the same forever.

Change is inevitable. You might not welcome it, but it is going to happen with or without you. Most of us wish we could control events in our lives completely; I am among this group. However, my time at Stout taught me that life is just going to happen. We honestly are just along for the ride. At any moment something might happen that would stop your tomorrows from coming. You are alive and kicking right now. You are here so experience it. Live it.

I was going to write this column like every other farewell column I've read; I was going to tell you about what courses to take, what helpful hints I have learned and a just a whole bunch of not important stuff. Yeah, I didn't go in that direction.

Nevertheless, here's a quick run down of that stuff I said I wouldn't talk about.

See movies. Take walks. Fall in love. Get a job. Lose friends. Gain friends. Learn. Enjoy the worthless things while you can. Sing karaoke at least once. You should live each day the way you want to. There are going to be days were you sit on the couch and do nothing, but everyone needs those days and if you want that kind of day take it.

While we are young the body and mind are willing, but that will not always be the case. Many of us will not make it to the ripe old age we think we will. Moral of the story kids is that you have a limited amount of time in which to do any and everything you want. Use it.

What's happened to real news?

Joe Spraggon
Columnist

Our media is leaving more of a sour taste in my mouth than ever. Reporters sit outside of a house of justice seeking to gleam any tidbits of information possible, like jackals surrounding feeding lions. The custodians of our societal knowledge deem a runaway bride to be of national importance when more important information needs to be distributed.

Do you remember the O.J. trial and what a debacle that was? Do you remember how, instead of doing their jobs, the lawyers and judge began playing to the camera? Nor can we forget the Lewinsky scandal and how that was drug through one bottomless mud puddle after another. I wonder what would happen if we had another presidential scandal involving a man in the highest of seats lying again?

I know, I know, at this point it is probably just wishful thinking, right? Oh wait, what's this? Why it's a recent issue of the *London Times* and what is inside but a story about a leaked document from the summer of 2002 about a secret meeting between Tony Blair and President Bush. Interesting.

"This record is extremely sensitive. No further copies should be made. The paper should be shown only to those with a genuine need to know."

So begins this document according to the May 1 edition of the *London Times* and it only gets better, or worse, as it goes. This document, of which I have managed to find a copy online, discusses a regime change in Iraq and how Britain would support any military actions the U.S. would take towards this goal.

At this point it would be good to tell you, the citizen, that this meeting took place in July. This places this black-ops discussion well before the travesty of Sept 11.

The document states that British foreign secretary Jack Straw suggested that an ultimatum regarding Saddam's supposed weapons of mass destruction (WMD) be drummed up to "help with the legal justification."

The document even speaks about another briefing in which Britain and America would have to "create" an environment that would be contusive for the war. This is long before all the hubaloo about any WMDs and long before President Bush appeared before Congress to ask for the blessing of war. This document points to an illegal plan to create war for any reason whatsoever.

Fortunately, Congressman John Conyers (D-MI) happens to read the *London Times*. I say fortunately because, to my knowledge, no American news agency has covered this story. Conyers has drafted a letter to President Bush about an inquiry within regards to this document. Conyers has also circulated this letter among his colleagues in the House and so far 88 members have signed in agreement.

The letter states facts from the Times article and asks five questions of the President. Here they are:

1) Do you or anyone in your Administration dispute the accuracy of the leaked document?

2) Were arrangements being made, including the recruitment of allies, before you sought Congressional authorization go to war? Did you or anyone in your Administration obtain Britain's commitment to invade prior to this time?

3) Was there an effort to create an ultimatum about weapons inspectors in order to help with the justification for the war as the minutes indicate?

4) At what point in time did you and Prime Minister Blair first agree it was necessary to invade Iraq?

5) Was there a coordinated effort with the U.S. intelligence community and/or British officials to "fix" the intelligence and facts around the policy as the leaked document states?

The letter proceeds to state that the Blair government has been "essentially acknowledged by the Blair government."

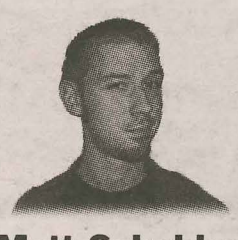
This is a rather important discovery about both country's leaders and where was our media? Where were they? Oh yes, now I recall, a bride left her husband at the altar, and Jacko is on trial at the moment. Liberal media? Yeah.

If and when the American public finally hears about this I will be curious to witness their reactions. Will "Warhawk" be spray painted upon the alabaster dome of the Whitehouse? Will anyone care that even more proof now exists that there was little to no honesty towards the American public and Congress with our invasion and subsequent occupation of Iraq? Probably not, but does that mean that news should not be spread in favor of personal business?

Apparently no one will notice as long as weddings are stopped at the last minute and celebrities are getting in trouble.

Trying to figure out what I actually learned this year

Reminiscing on the past year, along with trying to finish up all that homework.



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Well, this is it. Your life, the one you get, so go and have a ball. Whoops, sorry. I slipped into a very obscure "One Day at a Time" television reference. If you picked up on it, we should talk TV later. If not, then lets continue on.

It is the end of the year, so generic reminiscing is all over the place. Also homework. I have lots of that left to do, too. It really seems like I've gotten dumped on these past couple of weeks.

And speaking of being dumped on; as if on cue just yesterday, when I was really starting to feel the squeeze of finals week, a bird crapped on me. Yeah, I know. Almost poetic, huh? I didn't even see the bird that did it, but he'll get his. Oh, he'll get his.

But back to reminiscing; I usually look back on school years, oddly enough in terms of my articles. And this year has been an interesting one. I received my first real criticism when someone thought I stole an idea about robots running campus. Which was weird because I'm probably the least controversial writer at *The Stoutonia*.

In addition to that, not only did I beat a group of girls in a dance off, but I also dressed as one for charity. Head into applied arts room 125 to see those pictures, 16 of them, pinned up on a bulletin board in case you missed it.

I had a mullet for a brief period and a hot mustache to accompany it. I also simultaneously gained and lost super powers in about a day. Which wasn't so great, come to think of it. Oh, and my apologies to the good people at the First National Bank. How was I supposed to know that my powers were THAT temporary? C'mon, it was only $500,000. Some people really over-react.

I also learned of the perils of my own personal fitness, partially caused by my inability to correctly use the gym equipment. My teacher for that class got a kick out of those articles. I got a heart condition.

But the real question is: Did I learn anything? I can answer that with a definite maybe. I learned that maybe I should have been born a girl. I learned that maybe a career in beat creation (garage band) could be a reason I fail college. I learned to get things done early, but maybe applied that knowledge about half of the time this year.

So, what did I actually learn? I learned that end of the year retrospective articles are almost always as boring as this one turned out to be. Ha. Guess who just wasted two and a half minutes of their time reading this article? See you next year, when I'll have plenty of summer adventures to write about.

Unique summer styles at Fair Mairs

Grace Sanfilippo
Columnist

If the fine apparel of Maurices or Wal-Mart does not quite appeal to your particular fashion taste, check out Fair Mairs on Main Street.

For 20 years, owner and operator Mary Knapp resided in San Diego where she started Fair Mairs. Knapp moved to the area and opened her store in Menomonie when her daughter started school at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. The catchy name was coined by a friend of Knapp and was created from her nickname, Mair, and her "fair" prices at the store.

Knapp has been in the business for quite some time, and she has developed her style and niche. The store is made up of an eclectic mix of vintage tees, polos, button ups, cowboy boots and bohemian pieces for men and women, among other items. There is a little something for everyone.

Knapp says that her clothes are costume based and that everything, in a way, is geared towards Halloween. Knapp travels around the country in search of the right clothes for her store. She finds items anywhere from garage sales to swap meets and estate sales.

The fun part of the job is searching and predicting upcoming trends, or rather, trend rebirths. Knapp says that fashion trends have become very predictable for her. Everything comes back into style eventually.

"The 70s have been going on for 20 years," said Knapp.

In women's fashion, the whimsical, gypsy-inspired, bohemian style is more popular than ever for spring and summer. For men, the ever classic sport coat is being updated when paired with denim and a simple tee or a crisp button down.

"I love all the boho styles that are coming back for spring and summer," said Carmen Wollitz, a senior in service management. "Fair Mairs has such a great selection of it all that you mix and match."

"The thing that I like about Fair Mairs is that there is always 'new' stuff to find," said Serena Suckow, a senior in service management. "Since there are so many different one- of-a-kind things in there, I always find new fashion ideas. They also have great accessories."

Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

Discover your own style at Fair Mairs without breaking your wallet. They have sports jackets, jerseys, vintage tees, cowboy hats and shirts, Boho luxe, cropped pants, ethnic jewelry and accessories.

So head up to Fair Mairs and get creative with this season's wardrobe. Break the boring, old fashion rules or create some new ones of your own. You'll be able to get a whole outfit that no one else will have and save money at the same time. Try to mix it up, layer and have some fun with your own personal style!

Get your daily dose of vitamins in a fruit or veggie smoothie

Quench your thirst with nutritious beverages made with fruits or vegetables for breakfast or an afternoon snack

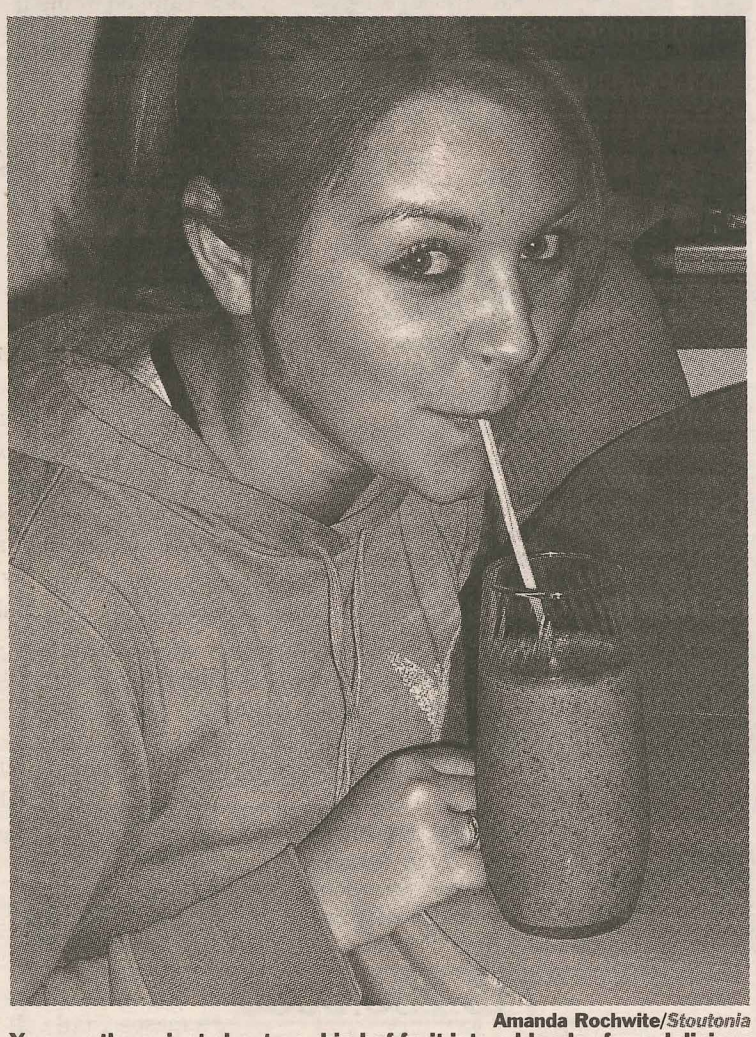
Katie Bader
Columnist

Did you know that when you think your body is hungry, often it is actually thirsty? A great weight-loss tip is to guzzle down a glass of water before every meal.

We all know our body needs eight glasses of water a day. Almost every cell in our body needs water to function. The human body is made up of 55 percent to 75 percent water and is in need of constant refill.

"I try to drink about four glasses of water per day, just because it's healthy, and I don't want to drink pop or sugar all the time," said Courtney Stensven, a senior in family and consumer science education.

Water keeps our body temperature balanced and prevents us from becoming nauseous, tired or dizzy. It can slow the occurrence of headaches, and on hot days, prevent heat stroke. It also keeps our skin hydrated and decreases our chances of bladder cancer.



Amanda Rochwite/*Stoutonia*

You can throw just about any kind of fruit into a blender for a delicious drink. Warm up on cool evenings with a homemade cup of Chai.

"The majority of our bodies' cells are water, and it needs to be maintained and replenished daily," said Tara Montgomery, a senior in dietetics.

As the days start to get warmer, our bodies need more than just eight glasses of water per day. If you are physically active, you need even more. Drinks containing alcohol and caffeine actually dehydrate the body, which creates a need for extra water.

The only problem is that water is boring. Drinking eight glasses of this flavorless liquid day after day can become monotonous, but there are other options besides water.

While water is the purest healthy beverage, other drinks can be just as good, if not better for your body. For example, a fresh vegetable smoothie gives your body many nutrients and vitamins. Many people prefer not to drink their vegetables; but once you try this smoothie, you'll have to make it again.

Vegetable Smoothie

(1 serving)
1 cup plain yogurt
6 ice cubes
1 cucumber, peeled and chopped
1 small tomato, chopped
1 celery stalk, chopped
1 small handful spinach or romaine leaves
1 tablespoon minced onion, optional
salt and pepper to taste

1. In a blender, combine yogurt, ice cubes, chopped cucumber, tomato, celery, spinach, onion, salt and pepper.

2. Blend until smooth.

While vegetable smoothies have less sugar than fruit smoothies, they may not have the flavor you prefer. Fruit smoothies are easy and very versatile; almost every type of fruit blends well with other fruits. Fruit smoothies are a great way to start the day as breakfast or to refuel your body after a work out.

This is a basic smoothie recipe that can be modified to your liking. Try something different every time you make it. If you are craving a little chocolate, add in two tablespoons of chocolate syrup to make this drink even sweeter. The fresher the fruits you use, the more flavorful the smoothie will be.

Basic Smoothie Recipe

(1 serving)
8 oz favorite fruit-flavored yogurt
1 cup mixed fruit, chopped
1/3 cup milk

1. Combine yogurt, fruit and milk in a blender.

2. Blend until smooth and creamy.

**Depending on the type of fruit, you may need to add more milk to make it creamier or more fruit to make it thicker.*

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Beverages / *Chai*

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Smoothies are not the only healthy alternative to drinking water. Vegetable juices and fruit juices can also be delicious and take part in hydrating your body. On hot days, a refreshing cold slushy can also cool you off and quench your thirst.

This recipe is easy to make, low in calories and very fruity.

Berry Orange Slushy
(1 serving)
1 small (6 oz) can frozen orange juice concentrate
2/3 cup water
1 cup fresh blueberries
4 cubes ice
1. In a blender, combine orange juice concentrate, water, blueberries and ice cubes.
2. Blend until slushy.
3. Pour into glasses and serve.

On the cool summer nights, a cool fruit or vegetable drink may not be what you want. Tea and hot chocolate can be relaxing and soothing to drink. Chai tea is a popular drink with different spices and flavors than other teas. If you find yourself always buying tea, you might want to try making it yourself from scratch. It is cheaper when you make more at once rather than buyng individual servings.

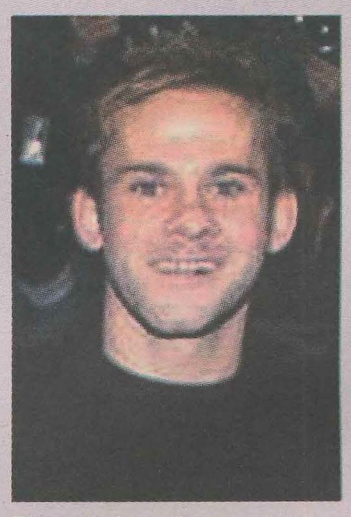
When you make Chai, be sure to strain out the liquid from the spices before you drink it. If you like, add ice cubes for a chilled chai tea.

Homemade Chai Tea
(2 servings)
1 cup water
2 black tea bags
2 Tbsp. honey
1/4 tsp. vanilla extract
1/2 cinnamon stick
2 whole cloves
1/8 tsp. ground cardamom
1/8 tsp. ground ginger
1/2 pinch ground nutmeg
1 cup milk
1. In a saucepan, bring water to a boil.
2. Add tea, honey and vanilla.
3. Season with cinnamon, cloves, cardamom, ginger and nutmeg.
4. Simmer for five minutes. Pour in milk and bring to a boil.
5. Remove from heat and strain through a fine sieve.
6. Pour into mugs and enjoy!

These drinks should help increase your fluid and water intake, which will keep your body healthier.

Look-a-Likes

Nate Lynch
Technical Education
Senior



Dominic Monaghan
Actor
Lord of the Rings, Lost

Got a Look-a-like? Think your professor looks like someone famous? Does your roommate look like a rock star? Let us see it! Send an e-mail to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu with your suggestion.

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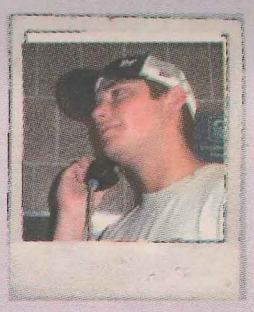
What would be the best summer job?



"A Chippendale's dancer."
Dustin Merkel
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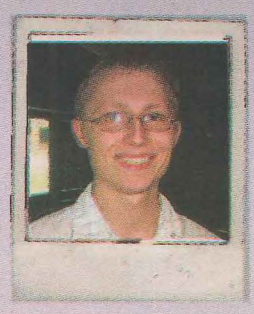
Junior

"No job."
Jessica Diehn
Vocational Rehabilitation
Junior



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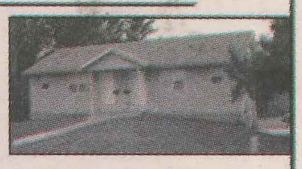

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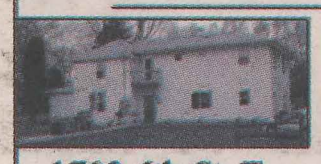

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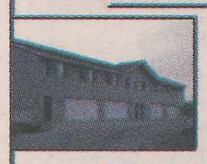

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>Smart Collar Design, Graphic Design, AA 209 and 117, 7-9 p.m.
>Multimedia Design, Micheels 288, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
>Anomaly, Interior Design, AA 220, 6-9 p.m.
>Juried Student Exhibition, Furlong Gallery, Micheels Hall

Saturday, May 14
>Commencement, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Technology and Engineering and Management Graduates, Johnson Fieldhouse, 9:30 a.m.
>Commencement, College of Human Development and School of Education Graduates, Johnson Fieldhouse, 2 p.m.

Sunday, May 15
>Stardust Strings, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., $6 all ages.

Monday, May 16
No events scheduled

Tuesday, May 17
>Medical Rededication Ceremony Picnic, outside Red Cedar Medical Center, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Wednesday, May 18
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Ridley Scott back on his game

Joe Spraggon
Entertainment Writer

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"Kingdom of Heaven" opened last Friday nationwide and, to be honest, I was not looking forward to it. Ridley Scott's last historical epic, "Gladiator," was good for what it was, but what it was not that spectacular.

"Gladiator," for all its Oscars and hype, was overrated, and I was prepared for more of the same glorification of battle with little emphasis put on the characters interacting without weapons in hand.

Going in with these expectations, I was absolutely floored by what "Kingdom of Heaven" turned out to be. This is not a war film with people in it, but a film about people with war in it.

As you may or may not have guessed from the title, the film takes place in Jerusalem at the end of a century-long occupation by European forces. The city is flourishing with Jews, Muslims and Christians living side by side with each other.

Then come the Knights Templar, the right hand of the Church, before they were all excommunicated for heresy in the years to come. They are an established force within the holy city that set to overturn the carefully orchestrated balance within the brick walls. Muslims are heretics to their closed eyes, and the Templars seek only to destroy them.

But the story centers on the figure of Balian, played well by Orlando Bloom, and how he deals with forces around him that would seek to corrupt and use him. This is a time period not unlike today when the rich seem wholly unconcerned with those of lower classes, and the figure of Balain is one of incorruptible strength.

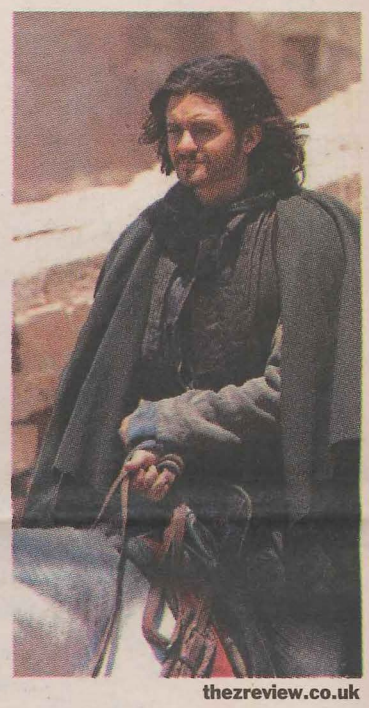
Normally I find an incorruptible character cliched. It's difficult to relate to a figure that rises above any scenario without a problem. What makes Bloom's Balian attractive is that when he is tempted you can see that play across his eyes, and you can see him consider the temptation before he answers.

The character of Balain is one who knows within himself his own rights and wrongs. He knows how far he is willing to go for a goal and what he will not sacrifice. These simple facts earn him both respect and trust wherever he wanders and this respect and trust is not something that he is willing to betray.

Aside from this, the film is shot in typical Scott fashion and in keeping with the various recent war epics. Scott does, however, stay strictly with technology that was available in the era. To this end, great use of flaming oil and tar is utilized, and siege towers do make their appearance.

The battles are slightly different from the contemporaries of "Kingdom" in that rarely do you see any limbs actually being severed or heads go flying through the air. Instead, the camera will show the face of the aggressor and the crimson splash that ensues.

I highly recommend this film to any fan of war films and also, to any who are interested in seeing a portrayal of how various religions can interact peacefully.



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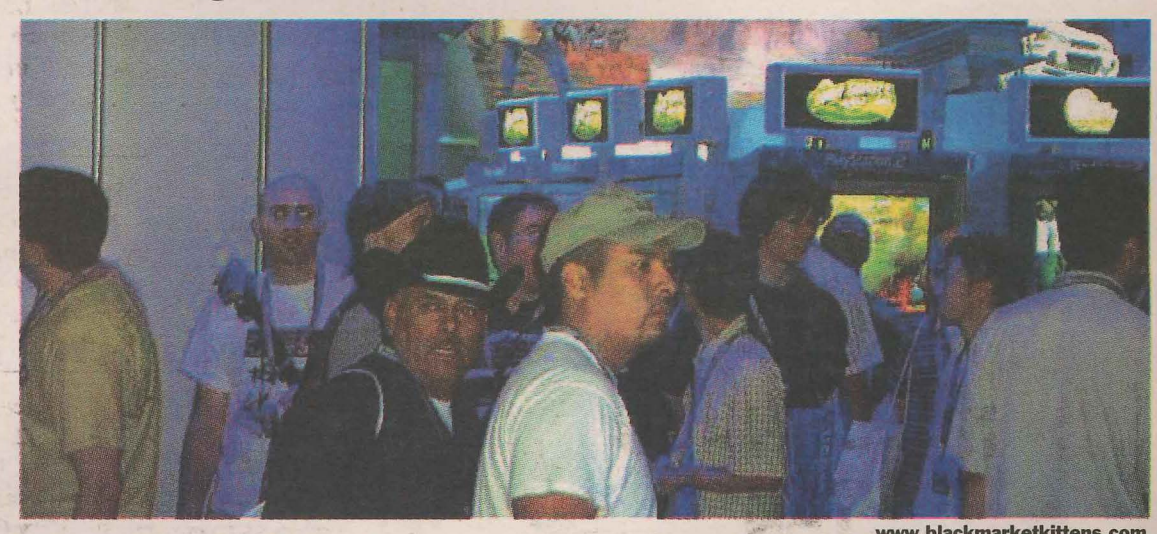
Above top: The Knights Templar are depicted as prejudiced warmongers, an unncessary occupying force in a peaceful land. Above bottom: Orlando Bloom shows off his acting chops. Who knew he had it in him?

Gamers rejoice: E3 is here

Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer



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Gamers of all kinds flock to the E3 convention every year to find out first-hand what the gaming industry is up to.

The Electronic Entertainment Expo (E3) is right around the corner. E3 is the single most important marketing event in gaming. Every year in mid-May, 400 of the most prominent companies gather to promote their upcoming products at the Los Angeles Convention Center.

Being a trade show, E3 is only open to members of the interactive entertainment industry.

Companies design their booths to attract passersby and advertise their merchandise with some booths costing up to $9 million to put together.

The highlights of this year's show are none other than the next generation systems: Microsoft's Xbox 360, Nintendo's Revolution and Sony's Playstation 3.

Each company will showcase its system at a pre-E3 press conference, but whether they will have playable demos on the show floor is unknown.

Another highlight of E3 are the games displayed on the show floor. Among the most highly anticipated of these games is the new "Legend of Zelda" that features strikingly realistic graphics. Other games include "Final Fantasy XII" from Square Enix, "King of Fighters" by SNK and "Madden NFL 2005" from EA games.

There are over 1,000 products that will debut this year, including games, accessories, CPUs and graphics cards.

Most companies keep their E3 programs well hidden, so it's hard to determine who will be doing what on the show floor.

The world of gaming has developed in leaps and bounds since its inception nearly three decades ago, and the industry continues to expand today. These days there are more directions for gaming to go than ever.

The conferences of E3 are designed to help those in the industry to be more accurate in game design, more successful in marketing and more profitable in the selling of games.

E3 is a show unlike any other and every year it grows as the video game market continues to expand.

Remakes abound this summer

Tiffany Laschinger
Entertainment Writer

Summer is a great time for producers to release their movies. Nine of the all time top ten grossing movies were released between May and August. Movies like "Star Wars," "Titanic," and "E.T." are among the biggest moneymakers that came out during the summer months.

Every summer movie can promise to be a blockbuster, but it takes a great plot, great cast and a supporting production crew to pull it off. If one aspect lacks, moviegoers will leave the theater disappointed.

While one could say that many of the summer movies are all greatly anticipated, all of the recent exposure for the third of the "Star Wars" prequels makes this movie the next must-see.

"Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith" opens May 19 in most theaters. Eighteen years after the original "Star Wars (A New Hope)," this last episode will show the rise, fall and redemption of Darth Vader (Hayden Christensen). George Lucas spun a vast web of different worlds in the first three Star Wars episodes. The prequels will reveal the answers that will allow viewers to go back and watch the first Star Wars in a new light.

"Revenge of the Sith" will reveal to "Star Wars" fans how Anakin Skywalker was seduced over to the dark side of the Force. Chancellor Palpatine is revealed as Darth Sidious, the Jedi is defeated and the democratic Republic is annihilated.

Many of the other summer releases will be remakes.

Most are movies from the past and a couple are movies made of classic sitcoms.

Another far out action movie that will be in the box office come June is "War of the Worlds," first released in 1953. Based on the H.G. Wells' novel about Martians invading earth, Steven Spielberg has brought this sci-fi classic back to life with Tom Cruise and Dakota Fanning. This movie will be released to the public on June 29.

The classic 1971 movie, "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" has been remade with the popular Johnny Depp as Willy Wonka. It is called "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," as the book by Roald Dahl was named. This opens July 15.

Another popular movie from the 70s, "The Longest Yard," has been remade starring Adam Sandler and Chris Rock. Burt Reynolds' originally played Sandler's character in 1974, a prison inmate who puts together a football team of prisoners to play against the guards. In this recent version, Reynolds plays a supporting role as fellow prisoner, Nate Scarboro, who works with Crew to build their team. This movie will be released in theaters on May 27.

The Batman Saga will be adding another notch to its list of adventures. This time Warner Brothers will be going back to the beginning where Bruce Wayne trains to become the infamous Batman that protects Gotham City. Christian Bale stars as billionaire playboy Bruce Wayne and his alter ego, Batman in Christopher Nolan's "Batman Begins," which opens on June 15.

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Top: Christian Bale takes on the cape and cowl of the Dark Knight in "Batman Begins." With luck, this new film will help revitalize a franchise that many justifiably thought beyond redemption. Bottom: Johnny Depp dons the candyman's tophat as Willy Wonka in Tim Burton's "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory."

Some of the other movies being released this summer will be "Madagascar," "Cinderella Man," "Bewitched," "Fantastic Four" and "The Honeymooners."

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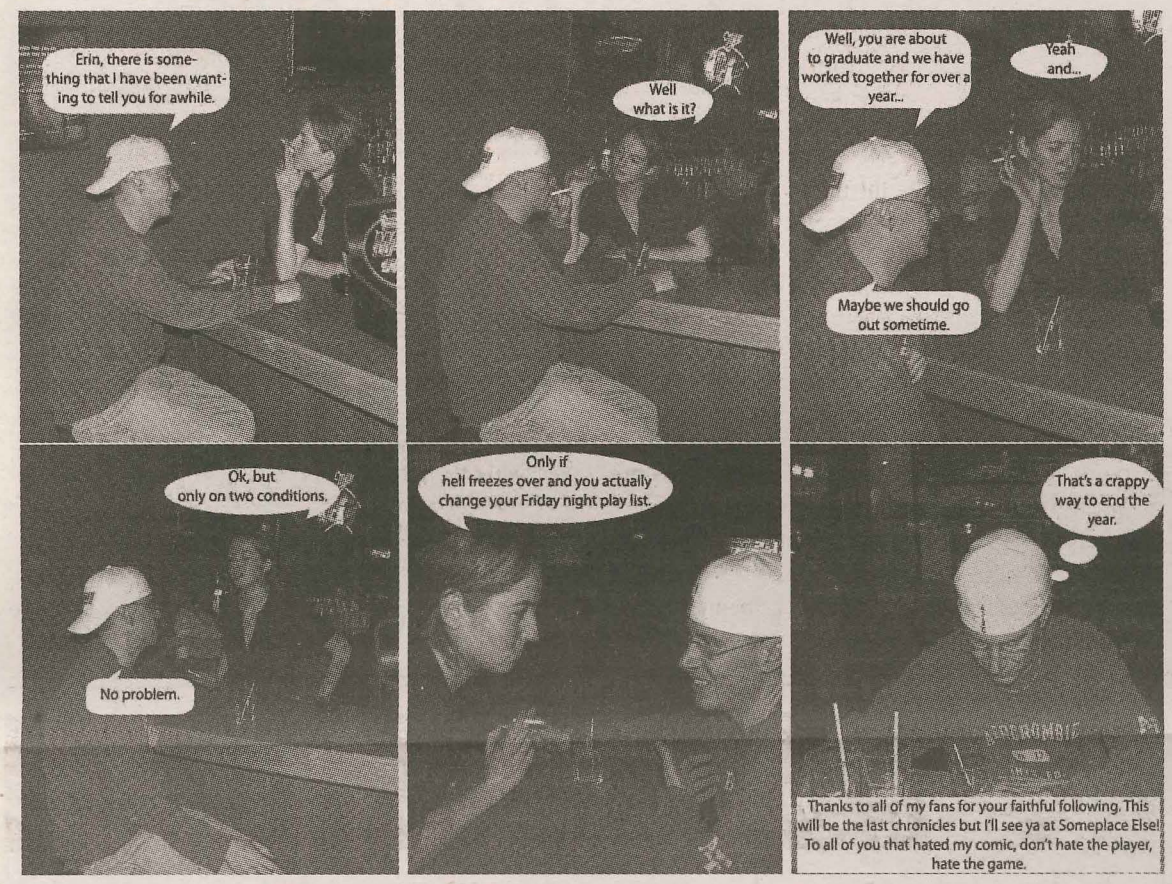

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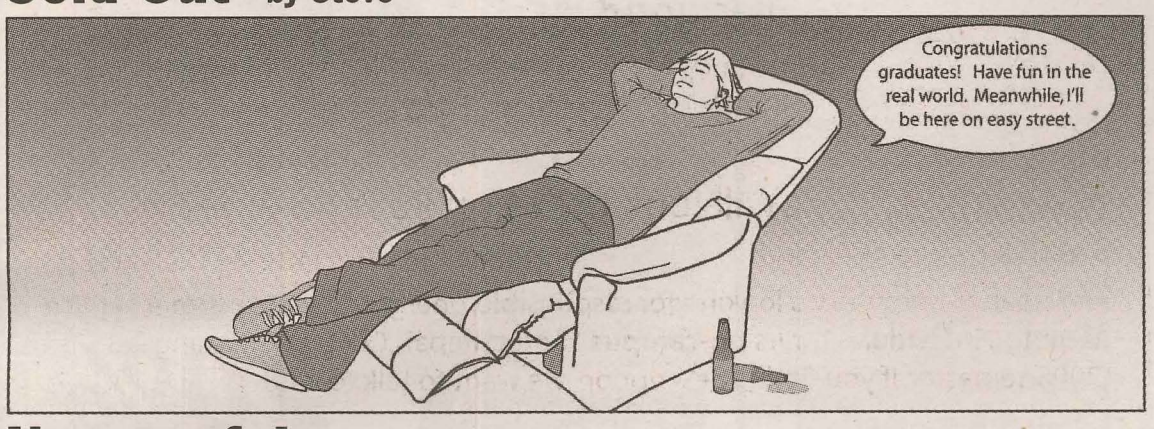

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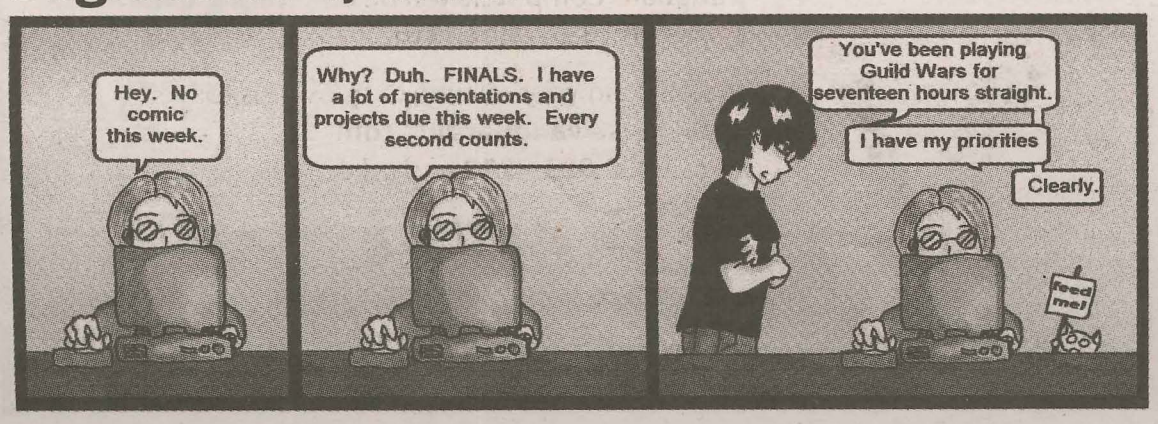

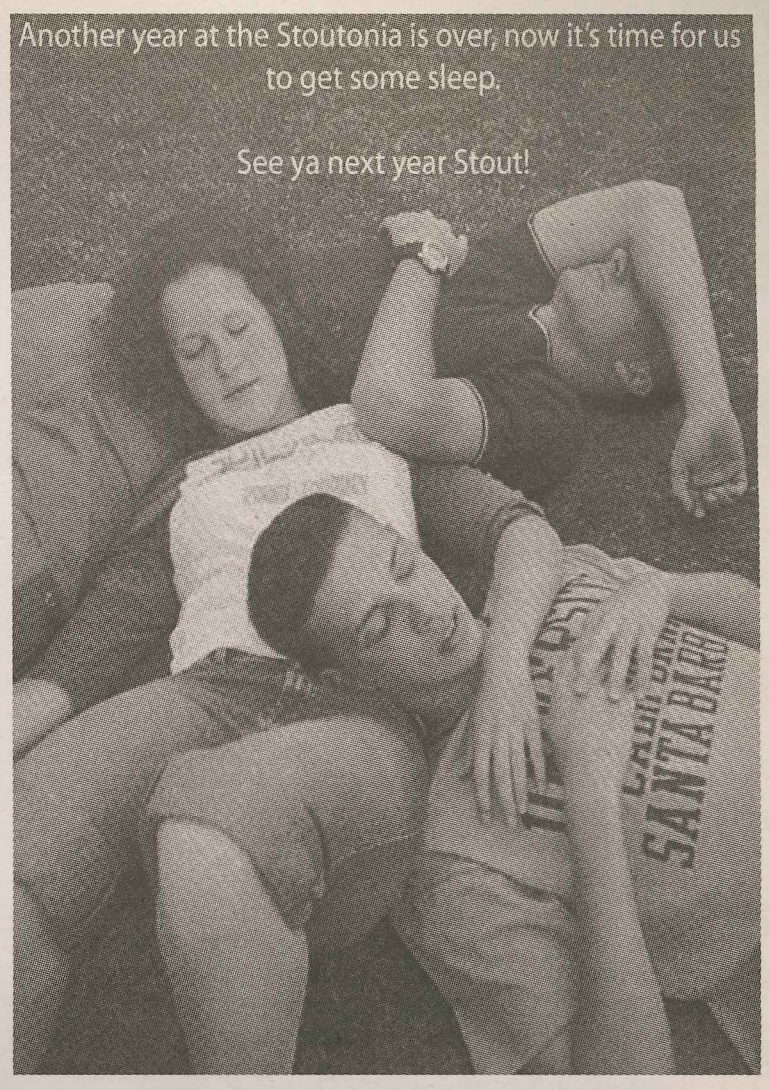

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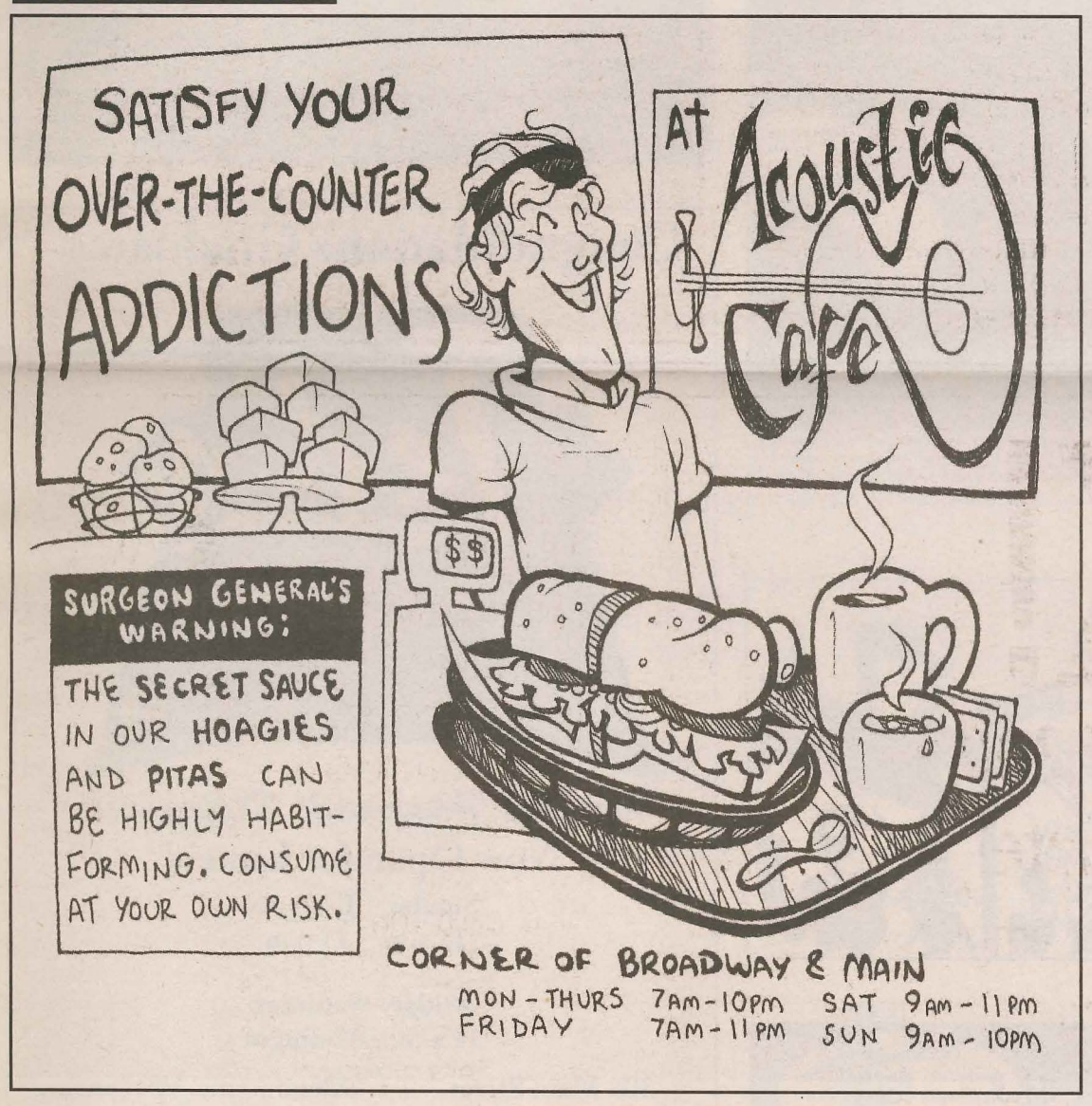

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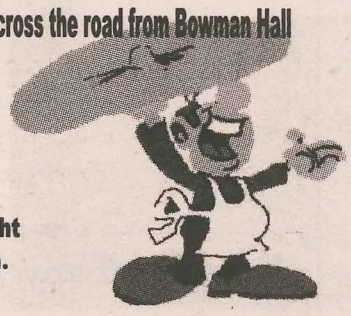
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Softball / *UW-Stout snags WIAC tournament title*

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This game would prove to be more of the same as neither team could get its offense going. The Blue Devils posted only four hits on the evening to the Pointers six hits.

Finally, Erin O'Connell's home run in the bottom of the sixth inning gave UW-Stout a 1-0 lead and the eventual victory over the Pointers.

The win provided the Blue Devils a chance to do something that they hadn't accomplished all season; defeat the Blugolds. But, they would have to beat them twice in the championship game if they wanted to see the NCAA Division III tournament.

In game one the Blue Devils found the hot bats again, tallying 11 hits and six runs.

Jackie Juan hit a three run homer in the third inning to give the Blue Devils a solid lead.

The Blugolds accumulated nine hits, but were halted by the UW-Stout defense and dropped game one 6-2.

With both teams at one loss for the tournament, the stage was set to see which team would advance to regionals.

In the final game, UW-Stout came out with confidence and held the Blugolds to a lone run.

Senior Jamie Gorges stepped up and brought in runs for the Blue Devils. Gorges drove in the first run in the second inning and then knocked in two more in the third inning.

That was all it would take as the Blue Devils came up through the losers bracket to win the WIAC tournament.

The victory marked UW-Stout's first WIAC Tournament title and advanced them to NCAA Division III playoffs for first time in school history.

The late season winning streak was a driving force for the team. After winning 12 of the last 13 games, the possibilities are endless for the team.

UW-Stout will face Coe College in the first round of the NCAA tournament on May 13.

Coe College is the No. 3 seeded team while the Blue Devils are a sixth seed.

The winner will play St. Thomas, and the loser will play the loser of the Fontbonne/St. Mary's game.

Jaime Carlin/*Stoutonia*

Blue Devil shortstop Kaela Wold and the UW-Stout women's softball team will compete at the NCAA Division III Regionals May 13-16.

Stoutonia's Athlete of the Week

Freshman Jackie Juan was a major force for the Blue Devil women's softball team during the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Tournament May 6-7 in Whitewater.

Juan finished the first day of the tournament 2-for-3 with 4 RBIs, as the University of Wisconsin-Stout defeated the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater 8-0.

In the second day of play, Juan hit a three-run homerun in a five-run third inning to give UW-Stout a 6-2 victory over UW-Eau Claire.

Currently this season Juan has tallied 20 hits, nine runs, six homeruns and 24 RBIs .

Juan and the Blue Devil women's softball team, will compete at the NCAA Division III Regional Tournament May 13-16 at Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The Facts:
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Juan racked up 4 RBIs and a three-run homerun in the WIAC Tournament.

Jackie Juan
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (16-23)

On May 9
St. Thomas downed the Blue Devils 20-5.

Next Game:
WIAC Tournament at Wisconsin Rapids
May 13-14.

Track & Field

The NCAA Qualifier will be held on May 20 in La Crosse.

Softball (25-19)

The Blue Devils competed in the WIAC Tournament May 6-7.

Next Up:
May 13-14 at the NCAA Division III Regional Tournament.

Trnka sports crystal ball

Curt Trnka
Opinions Editor

Summer is around the corner and at *The Stoutonia* we have used our powers of deduction to predict what will be happening in the sports world while everyone is away from the university.

What they are thinking: **"Wow, what a great turnout tonight. I can't even count how many people are here for a change."**

Before we get started on what is going to happen, let's take a quick look at what isn't going to happen. The Timberwolves are not going to rehire Flip Saunders or hire Phil Jackson. Joe Torre is not going to be fired. The WNBA will not be popular. Johnny Damon will not raise the dead.

Yeah, yeah, those are gimmes, but I needed to warm up for what comes next.

The first item on my list of what is going to happen, involves Phil Jackson. He will come back as the Los Angeles Lakers head-coach next season. Since the team's departure from Minnesota, you can count the number of times that the Lakers missed the playoffs on one hand. For the Lakers, next year will be a return to form with the return of Phil.

Next on the what's going to happen list, is the running back mess. In case you live in the basement of Harvey Hall and haven't heard, the starting running backs for both the Packers and Vikings have had recent trouble with the law. Green Bay Packers' running back Ahman Green was arrested due to a domestic dispute with his wife, and he has pleaded not guilty. What effect will this have on the Packers this season? Not much. Green will be cleared and will only be slowed down by the fact that the Packers lost so many great blockers.

Last season, Minnesota Vikings running back Onterrio Smith was suspended four games, because he violated the NFL's drug policy; now the Star Tribune broke a story stating that Smith was caught in an airport with a kit designed to trick a drug test. I'm not sure which is more embarrassing, the fact that a grown man was caught with ``The Original Whizzinator," or the fact that this is the first time I've heard about airport security catching anything.

What does this event mean for the Vikings? Nothing. It will be almost impossible for the NFL to find any evidence that Smith used this product to pass a drug test. So, even though I think he should be suspended and subsequently released by the Vikings, Smith will likely be the Vikings starter when the season rolls around.

What they are thinking: **"How would you like a Phil Jackson punch to the face?"**

Since this is my last sports column for *The Stoutonia*, I'm going to do some predictions on my favorite sport, baseball.

Starting in the glamorous AL East, we find the Baltimore Orioles in first place and the Yankees in fourth. This is not a sign of things to come. Don't get me wrong, the Orioles are for real, but they don't have the experience to hold off the Yankees and the Red Sox for a whole season. The O's might hang on to second in the division, but I wouldn't count on it.

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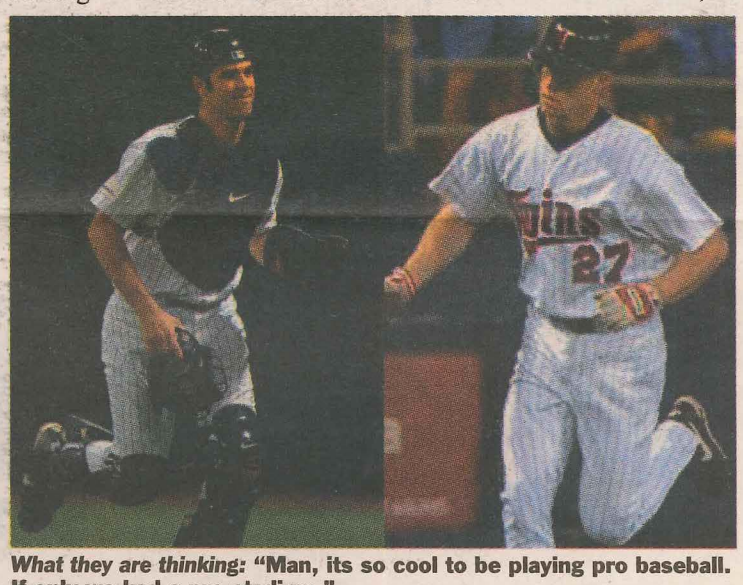
What they are thinking: **"I wish Steinbrenner's horse had won the derby. That'd shut him up."**



What they are thinking: **"Man, its so cool to be playing pro baseball. If only we had a pro stadium."**

The largest gap between first and second place is in the AL Central; that isn't a surprise. Finding out that the first place team is the Chicago White Sox however, is a bit surprising. Chicago has switched to small ball remarkably fast, with great success, and currently leads the Minnesota Twins by four and a half games. This is cause for concern if you are a Twins fan, because switching styles of play usually takes time and for the White Sox to have switched so quickly is a huge roadblock to the Twins run at a fourth straight division title. However, as anyone who follows the AL Central should know, the White Sox tend to fade when the dog days of summer come around, and this should be the case this year also. The division will be decided in head to head games between the Sox and Twins in August and September. Also, look for the Twins to trade for an infielder; possibly a third baseman, but they would also be interested in a good bat at second baseman.

Finally, we stop in the NL Central, where the Milwaukee Brewers are one game above .500 and in second place. If you are thinking this is the year the Brewers do it, that this is the year they turn it around, you're dreaming. The team sitting above the Brewers is the St. Louis Cardinals, and they might not break a sweat winning this division. The Brewers started out the season with a shaky bullpen, but thanks to new closer Derrick Turnbow, the pen is now one of Milwaukee's strengths. The Brew Crew will probably play close to .500 ball, but will definitely not make the playoffs.

Softball bounces back to win WIAC

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Editor

For the University of Wisconsin-Stout softball team, the season has been that of struggle, perseverance and most importantly, a late season winning streak. The Blue Devils have also gained entry into the first round of the NCAA Division III Regionals.

At the beginning of the season, the team lost seven of their first eight games, and it seemed that the season would never get off the ground.

However, the rough start could be attributed to the quality of teams that the Blue Devils had faced. In those first seven games, the team faced all Division II teams from a conference in Hawaii.

The Blue Devils continued to build steam as the season progressed, getting two wins at the first Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) Cluster Tournament.

The team's big break came during the second WIAC cluster tournament when the Blue Devils won all four games and began building momentum for the WIAC tournament.

The Blue Devils came into the WIAC tournament with an eight game winning streak and regular season victories over every team in the conference except one; the University of Wisconsin Eau-Claire.

UW-Stout opened the tournament by cruising to an 8-0 victory over the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Megan Donley pitched her second consecutive shutout and the UW-Stout defense remained hot as the Falcons could not get on the board the entire game.

Game two proved troublesome as the Blue Devils fell to UW-Eau Claire 9-5. It marked the third time during this season that the team dropped losses to the Blugolds.

One game away from elimination, UW-Stout faced the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, a team they had defeated twice this season, but only by a

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